commission.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County Section 187A to be under the new subtitle "Status of Women Commission"

Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1965 Edition and 1974 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 187A to be under the new subtitle "Status of Women Commission" be and it is hereby added to the Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County being Article 19 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland (1965 Edition and 1974 Supplement, as amended) to read as follows:

## Article 19

## STATUS OF WOMEN COMMISSION

187A.

- (A) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY [[SHALL]] MAY ESTABLISH A COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN. THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF SEVEN MEMBERS, EACH OF WHOM SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS. OF THE MEMBERS FIRST APPOINTED, ONE SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, AND THREE SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, AND THREE SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS,
- (B) A MEMBER [[SHALL]] MAY BE APPOINTED FROM LISTS SUPPLIED TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS, RETIRED WOMEN, AND OTHER CITIZENS' GROUPS WHICH HAVE A RECORD OF SUPPORT FOR THE STATUS OF WOMEN. THE MEMBERSHIP SHALL INCLUDE A CROSS SECTION OF INDIVIDUALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF AGENCIES AND GROUPS IN THE COUNTY INVOLVED WITH THE CONCERNS [[OF]] AND ISSUES AFFECTING WOMEN. A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS SHALL BE WOMEN OF THE COUNTY.
- (C) THE OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSION ARE CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER, EACH TO SERVE FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR OR UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSION. AN OFFICER MAY NOT SERVE FOR MORE THAN THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN THE SAME OFFICE. OFFICERS SHALL BE FLECTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING OR WHEN A VACANCY OTHERWISE OCCURS.
- (D) THE COMMISSION [[SHALL]] MAY: (1) ADVISE AND ASSIST IN THE COORDINATION OF GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS; (2) DEVELOP PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RESOURCES TO ALLOW FULL PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN ALL ACTIVITIES WITH DIGNITY AND MEANING; (3) STRENGTHEN HOME LIFE BY DIFECTING ATTENTION TO CRITICAL PROBLEMS CONFRONTING WOMEN AS WIVES, MOTHERS,