*Not signed by the Governor.

No. 86*

(House Joint Resolution No. 60)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Nursing Homes

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Office on Aging to take certain measures necessary to encourage the concern and participation of the citizenry in the administration and programs of nursing homes; and requesting the Office on Aging to report annually to the General Assembly for a certain period the progress which it has made in the immediate prior year in accomplishing the objectives of this Resolution.

More than 12,000 Marylanders, 90 percent of whom are senior citizens, are in nursing homes. Residents of nursing homes are in many instances isolated from families and community. A succession of investigations and study commissions have called for significant change in the living circumstances of nursing home residents.

The General Assembly, in recognition of its concern for the general problems of aging, and for the specific problem of nursing home care, has created a State Office on Aging by statute: now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the State Office on Aging undertake measures necessary to encourage the concern and participation of the citizenry in the administration and programs of nursing homes, such measures to include, but not be confined to, Statewide expansion of the Life Support Program, establishment of nursing home advisory boards, and establishment of county based Long Term Care Committees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Office on Aging is requested to report annually to the General Assembly for a period of three years the progress which it has made in the immediate prior year in the accomplishment of the objectives sought by this Resolution[[.]]; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to Dr. Matthew Taylack, Director of the State Office on Aging and the Honorable Marvin Mandel, Governor of the State of Maryland.

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