WHEREAS, the Planning Board and the County Council have already held and concluded public hearings on the Plan and implementing growth management legislation; and

WHEREAS, the Final Report of the Planning Board recommends that the County Council take action with respect to the Plan In Progress Bill; and

WHEREAS, the County Council recently received the report and recommendation of the Planning Board with respect to both the Plan and growth management legislation, which are complicated and complex and which require careful study and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, both the Plan and growth management legislation are now pending and have been exposed to public review and attention; and

WHEREAS, absent this extension, the County Council would be compelled to either act hastily on the Plan and implementing legislation or to allow a lapse between the Plan In Progress Bill and the adoption of new permanent growth management legislation which would permit the acquisition of vested rights and the establishment of non-conforming uses in conflict with the proposed Plan and detrimental to such Plan; and

WHEREAS, said extension will be for a limited period of not more than forty (40) days, that being the time period within which the County Council by Charter must act on legislation introduced by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Plan in growth management legislation will be introduced on Monday, October 15, 1979 at the time of adoption of this Bill for extension of the Plan in Progress Bill, thereby assuring action by the Council on the Plan and growth management legislation within forty (40) days and assuring that this extension need not exceed (40) days; now, therefore

Approved October 15, 1979.

HARFORD COUNTY

Bill No. 79-2 (as amended)

AN EMERGENCY ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 20.2, heading, Hearing Examiners, of Article 20, heading, Board of Appeals, and Section 21.6, of Article 21, heading Cyclic Method for Processing Rezoning Applications, of the Harford County Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 6; to provide for the employment of Hearing Examiners to hear those cases to be heard by the Board of Appeals; to provide for the Hearing Examiners to make a decision in zoning appeal and reclassification cases; to