

## Preamble

WHEREAS, The Fort Washington Marina on Piscataway Creek serving the Potomac River is an invaluable asset to the citizens of Prince George's County and of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Natural Resources has a policy of establishing boating centers throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Washington metropolitan area is one of the largest population centers in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Natural Resources currently does not own a marina on the Potomac River, which river is Maryland property; and

WHEREAS, The Fort Washington Marina is an established marina and therefore will require a minimum expense to acquire, as compared to the expense of building a new marina; and

WHEREAS, The National Park Service has made the Fort Washington Marina available to the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The National Park Service is better able to get a dredging permit than the State of Maryland, and the lack of a permit is obstructing the transfer of the Fort Washington Marina to the State; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(1) The State of Maryland shall assume ownership from the National Park Service, the property known as Fort Washington Marina on Piscataway Creek in Prince George's County, Maryland.

(2) The State of Maryland shall secure a permit from the National Park Service on an approved spoil site located on National Park Service land adjacent to the south shore of Piscataway Creek, or that, failing this, the State shall fully investigate and document alternative spoil site locations.

~~(2)~~ (3) The State of Maryland shall assume ownership of the marina, contingent upon a secured permit from the Army Corps of Engineers through the National Park Service and the appropriation of sufficient funding in the fiscal year 1984 State Budget to meet the expected State expenditures for revitalizing the marina.