Forty-six Senators having answered to their names, the Secretary announced that a quorum being present, the Senate of Maryland, 1982 Special Session, is now ready for the transaction of business.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Clarence \mathbf{W} . Blount, Baltimore City.

THE STATE OF MARYLAND

Executive Department

PROCLAMATION

By the Governor of Maryland

Convening the General Assembly of Maryland in Extraordinary Session at Annapolis, Maryland on Friday, August 6, 1982 at 10:00 a.m.

WHEREAS,

The Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981, Public Law 97-35, enacted by the Congress of the United States and approved by the President of the United States, changed the provisions of federal law which determine the availability of extended unemployment insurance benefits to persons who have exhausted their regular unemployment insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS,

As the result of the change in federal law, extended unemployment benefits will not be available to persons in Maryland for weeks beginning after July 31, 1982; and

WHEREAS,

It is necessary to modify existing Maryland law to prevent the loss of unemployment insurance benefits to thousands of Maryland citizens who have exhausted their regular unemployment insurance benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRY HUGHES, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY ARTICLE II, SECTION 16 AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 14 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND CONVENE A SPECIAL AND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND TO COMMENCE AT 10:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 1982, IN THE STATE CAPITOL IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS FOR THE PURPOSE OF