Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 653.

This bill alters the maximum fine which may be imposed for violation of any ordinance, rule or regulation established by Baltimore City from an amount not exceeding \$500 to an amount not exceeding \$1,000.

Senate Bill 428, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on June 1, 1982, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 653.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

Read and ordered journalized.

House Bill No. 653

AN ACT concerning

City of Baltimore - General Powers

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum fine which may be provided for the violation of any ordinance, rule or regulation established by Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article II - General Powers Section (48) Charter of Baltimore City (1964 Revision, as amended)

The Speaker put the question: Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Executive?

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative: 1

Negative: 127

(See Roll Call No. 2091)

The Speaker announced the veto was sustained.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE