

STATE OF MARYLAND,

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,

*Frederick City*, April 30, 1861.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

I herewith transmit to your honorable body a copy of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which was adopted, as a joint resolution, by Congress, and approved by the President; and which is authenticated under the Seal of the Department of State at Washington.

THOS. H. HICKS.