WHEREAS, Some vessels in the fleet are more than 100-years old and may not survive much longer; and

WHEREAS, The skipjack fleet represents the last vestige of the period of "Iron Men and Wooden Ships"; and

WHEREAS, This period deserves the honor and recognition of a specially issued U.S. postage stamp by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, The rapidly vanishing vessels from this period can be immortalized on a U.S. postage stamp; and

WHEREAS, Numerous civic organizations, historical groups, and citizens have enthusiastically supported the idea of a commemorative U.S. postage stamp; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the U.S. Postmaster General is requested to issue an official U.S. postage stamp commemorating the Chesapeake Bay sailing skipjack fleet; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Melvin A. Steinberg, President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates; and the Honorable William F. Bolger, Postmaster General of the United States, Washington, D. C. 20260-; and the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Charles McC. Mathias, Jr. and Paul S. Sarbanes, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; and Representatives Royden P. Dyson, Clarence D. Long, Barbara A. Mikulski, Marjorie S. Holt, Steny H. Hoyer, Beverly B. Byron, Parren J. Mitchell, and Michael D. Barnes, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Signed May 15, 1984.

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(Senate Joint Resolution No. 21)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

The Use of Dredged Material for Marsh Creation

FOR the purpose of urging the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to revise the current policy on dredged material placement to give equal preference to the use of dredged material for marsh creation or upland disposal if the grain size and proposed location are suitable.