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RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable ~~Charles--R--Buck,--Jr-~~ Adele Wilzack, Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, 201 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201; Mr. Edward J. Muhl, Maryland Insurance Commissioner, 501 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Maryland 21202; Mr. Gary Green, Executive Director, Kidney Foundation of Maryland, 2526 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21218; Mr. William C. Brewer, Jr., Executive Director, American Heart Association - Maryland Affiliate, 415 N. Charles Street, P.O. Box 17025, Baltimore, Maryland 21203; Mr. Gary Davis, Executive Director, Medical Eye Bank of Maryland, 505 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21201; and Mr. Thomas Sherlock, President, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Maryland, 700 East Joppa Road, Towson, Maryland 21204.

Signed May 15, 1984.

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No. 19

(House Joint Resolution No. 15)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

The Year of the Forest

FOR the purpose of requesting the Governor to designate 1984 "The Year of the Forest" to promote the economic and aesthetic value of Maryland's forests and encourage conservation.

WHEREAS, Maryland's forests are valuable economic assets and are important to both the State Forest Products Industry and the Tourist Industry; and

WHEREAS, Maryland's forests provide outstanding scenic and recreational opportunities for many activities including hiking, camping, hunting, sightseeing, snowmobiling, and skiing; and

WHEREAS, Maryland's forests provide excellent food and shelter for many species of wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Maryland's forests have become an important alternative energy source providing wood fuel for both residential and industrial use; and

WHEREAS, Maryland's forests are important to the State's water supplies and the quality of the Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Tree Farm Committee and the Maryland Forest Association are working to expand public awareness of this