- (1) Investigate and assemble information pertinent to the economic resources and industrial opportunities of the county.
- (2) Cooperate with, offer assistance to and encourage the expansion of existing businesses and industries and actively work for the location of new businesses and industries compatible with the resources and environment of St. Mary's County.
- (3) Encourage development of recreational areas and encourage tourist business in the county, making the public aware of the county's historical background and progress.
- (4) Disseminate information in the interest of industrial development by publication, advertising and other means.
- (5) cooperate with any federal, state or local agency board or commission, including the Economic Development Commission of Maryland, in the furtherance of its purposes.
- (6) Cooperate with any interested private concern, civil organization or subdivision thereof in furtherance of its purposes.
 - H. Retirement benefits.
- (1) The Director of the Economic Development Commission shall receive for the remainder of the Director's life a retirement benefit of four hundred dollars (\$400) per month from St. Mary's County, payable by the County Commissioners from the general funds of the county.
- (2) The Secretary to the Director of the Economic Development Commission shall receive for the remainder of the Secretary's life a retirement benefit of two hundred dollars \$200 per month from St. Mary's County, payable by the County Commissioners from the general funds of the county.]

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FROM THE GENERAL FUNDS OF THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL PAY TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION THAT WAS ABOLISHED, BY STATUTE, ON JULY 1, 1989, A RETIREMENT BENEFIT OF \$200 PER MONTH FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SECRETARY'S LIFE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved April 11, 1989.