

WHEREAS, State Comptroller and former Governor William Donald Schaefer recalls that Ms. Hoffman "never misled anybody" and was "the smartest woman I ever met in the area of finance"; and

WHEREAS, Former Governor Marvin Mandel remembers Ms. Hoffman as "one of the most knowledgeable persons in Annapolis" who "had a passion for the city that drove her"; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Congressman Benjamin L. Cardin recalls Ms. Hoffman as "the most effective governmental lobbyist in the history of the State," and a person to whom he "owes his sensitivity toward fiscal matters"; and

WHEREAS, In his eulogy, U. S. Senator Paul S. Sarbanes said of Ms. Hoffman, "First and foremost, Janet Hoffman was a distinguished public servant who fervently believed that governance in a democracy is a serious and noble enterprise"; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to local government by awarding them the chapter's Janet L. Hoffman Award; and

WHEREAS, With Ms. Hoffman's death on December 30, 2000, the State was left bereft of one of its wisest and ablest public servants; and

WHEREAS, Janet Hoffman is deserving of a lasting memorial to her exemplary career; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hoffman can most appropriately be memorialized by naming after her the State fund that provides financial assistance to graduates who choose to work in the public or the nonprofit sector; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Education

Subtitle 15. JANET L. HOFFMAN Loan Assistance Repayment Program.

18-1501.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) (1) "Eligible field of employment" means employment in the State by an organization, institution, association, society, or corporation that is exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(2) "Eligible field of employment" includes employment by the State or any local government in the State, but does not include being employed as a judicial clerk in any court.

(c) "Higher education loan" means any loan for undergraduate or graduate study that is obtained for tuition, educational expenses or living expenses from:

(1) A college or university, government, or commercial source; or