

WHEREAS, The people of Maryland wish to honor specially those men and women who gave so much to their country and to this State during World War II; and

WHEREAS, The people of Maryland wish to establish a lasting tribute to those whose courage should now be remembered; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(a) There is a World War II Memorial Commission.

(b) The Commission shall:

(1) develop a list of citizens of the State who sacrificed their lives or years of their life for their country during World War II; and

(2) meet regularly to develop recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor for the design, construction, and placement of a suitable memorial or monument that would contain the names of those Maryland citizens who served their country during World War II so that their sacrifice may be permanently and publicly recorded; and

~~(3) suggest appropriate site locations that would be fiscally responsible and not entail the costs of additional security personnel.~~

(c) The Governor shall appoint the members of the Commission. Each member shall be a citizen and resident of the State.

(d) A member of the Commission:

(1) may not receive compensation; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations as provided in the State budget.

(e) Staff for the Commission shall be provided by the Maryland Veterans Commission.

(f) The Commission shall report its initial recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly for the memorial or monument not later than January 1, 1992.

(g) The Commission shall submit its final report to the Governor and the General Assembly not later than September 1, 1992.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That support for the Commission created under this Act shall be provided by existing staff of the Maryland Veterans Commission and that this Act may not be construed to require the hiring of additional staff by the Maryland Veterans Commission.

SECTION 2 ~~3~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.