

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That until July 1, 2001, two of the members of the Board of Directors of the Maryland African American Museum Corporation representing African American historical or cultural institutions in the State shall be representatives of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the members of the Maryland Museum of African American History and Culture Commission created by Executive Order 01.01.1994.23, serving as of July 1, 1998, who have expertise in African American history, culture, museums, or related areas, shall be appointed as members of the Board of Directors of the Maryland African American Museum Corporation, subject to their consent.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That of the individuals initially appointed by the Governor to the Board of Directors, except for ~~members~~ any member serving on the Board ex officio, ~~5~~ 10 members shall have a term of 2 years, ~~5~~ 10 members shall have a term of 3 years, and ~~5~~ 11 members shall have a term of 4 years.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Chairman of the Maryland Museum of African American History and Culture Commission shall serve as the initial Chairman of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Museum of African American History and Culture Commission shall terminate upon appointment and qualification of its consenting members to the Board of Directors, but in any case no later than October 1, 1998.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the General Assembly finds that the Commission on African American History and Culture, established under Article 83B, Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Code, has indicated its full support of the creation of the Maryland African American Museum Corporation to establish the Maryland Museum of African American History and Culture in Baltimore City.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act does not supplant the powers and authority of the Commission on African American History and Culture to carry out its statutory duties and statewide mandates, or affect the status of the Banneker-Douglass Museum, under Article 83B, Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Code. This Act does not replace the Banneker-Douglass Museum as the official repository of African American history and culture for the State of Maryland.

SECTION ~~4-6-8~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION ~~5-7-9~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1998.