

The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Frederick County, Greeting. Whereas by the resignation of Alexander C. Hanson of the honourable Alexander C. Hanson a vacancy has arisen in the representation of this State in the House of Representatives of the United States, which vacancy according to an Act of Assembly passed at November Session seven hundred and ninety one entitled "an Act directing the time places and manner of holding Elections for Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, and for appointing Electors on the part of this State for choosing a President and Vice President of the United States and for the regulation of the said Elections and also to repeal the Act of Assembly therein mentioned" and according to another Act of the General Assembly supplementary to the Act aforesaid passed at November Session seven hundred and ninety one must be filled by a person resident within and elected by the qualified voters of that District of this State as distinguished by the said Act of Assembly. We do therefore in pursuance of the powers vested in us by the Acts aforesaid and an Act is titled "an Act to consolidate and amend the several Acts of Assembly respecting elections and to regulate said Elections" passed at November Session eight hundred and five authorize and command you to appoint a day to hold an election in that part of Frederick County which with Montgomery County composes the Third District of this State to fill the vacancy in the House of Representatives in the United States occasioned by the resignation of the aforesaid Alexander C. Hanson Esquire and the said election shall be held within fifteen days after the receipt of this warrant and you shall serve a copy thereof on each of the Judges in each Election District of your County at least three days before the day appointed for holding such election. Given in Council at the City of Annapolis under the Seal of the State of Maryland this twenty sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen

By the Governor  
Thimian Penkney  
Clerk of the Council

C. Hedges of Hampton