

before the day appointed for holding said elections. Given in Council, at the City of Annapolis, under the Seal of the State of Maryland, this eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

By the Governor

William Pennington Clerk of the Council

Samuel Stearns Junior

The State of Maryland to the Mayor of Baltimore City, Greeting Whereas by the resignation of the honorable Samuel Smith an immediate vacancy has arisen in the representation of this State in the House of Representatives of the United States, and also a vacancy in the said Representation from the 4th of March next, to the 4th of March eighteen hundred and twenty five, which said vacancies according to an Act of Assembly passed at November Session seventeen 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 seventeen hundred and ninety one, must be filled by a person resident within, and elected by the qualified voters of the 5th District of the State, as designated by the said Act of Assembly. We do therefore in pursuance of the powers vested in us by the Acts aforesaid, and an Act entitled, "An Act to reduce into one the several Acts of Assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections" passed at November Session eighteen hundred and four authority and command you to appoint a day to hold an election in your City of Baltimore for a Representative of this State to fill the said vacancies in the House of Representatives