

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Hopkins?

2 DELEGATE HOPKINS: Mr. Chairman, I yield three
3 minutes to Delegate Sollins.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sollins?

5 DELEGATE SOLLINS: Mr. Chairman, members of the
6 committee, Delegate Hopkins has very ably presented all
7 the good reasons for not imposing residence requirements.
8 I am not going to take up too much of your time.

9 I would like to point out just one or two
10 things: First of all, the Constitutional Convention
11 Commission in its recommendations, I call your attention
12 to page 130, agreed with the minority position. At page
13 130 with regard to this position the Constitutional Conven-
14 tion Report states that although no requirement that a
15 legislator be a resident of the District from which he
16 is elected, it is recommended it is stated that candidates
17 will almost invariably be such residents just as are
18 candidates for seats in Congress.

19 Nevertheless, a majority of the Commission is
20 of the opinion that the electorate of a district should
21 not be precluded from choosing any qualified Marylander