

an old disused mill race running from Frederick road to the dam across Gwynns Falls, south of Edmondson avenue, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are about to construct a public highway over said mill race from Frederick road to said dam, and desire to continue said highway along the eastern side of Gwynns Falls to Franklin road, which would necessitate the taking of a strip of ground not exceeding one hundred feet in width on the western border of the property of the Fayette Street Methodist Episcopal Church, and the owners of said property have refused to sell said strip of ground to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, except at a prohibitive price; and

WHEREAS, There are no graves in the strip of ground so desired by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the said strip is unfitted for graves, lying along the edge of Gwynns Falls under a steep hill, which renders it inaccessible for conveyances from the rest of the Cemetery, and the construction of a public highway along the eastern edge of said Falls cannot injuriously affect the said Western Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Along both sides of Gwynns Falls, from Frederick avenue to Walbrook, there are steep bluffs and a road along the margin of said Falls is very much needed as a thoroughfare between the northern portion of the city and Frederick avenue; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore be and they are hereby authorized to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, a strip of land, not exceeding one hundred feet in width, along eastern bank of Gwynns Falls from the northern end of the mill race running south from the dam situated south of Edmondson avenue, northerly to Edmondson avenue, for the purpose of establishing a public highway to be a continuance northerly of the highway about to be established by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore over the mill race aforesaid, running from Frederick road northerly and passing under the Edmondson avenue bridge, and thence northerly to a connection with the old Franklin road.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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