

the said The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster be and it hereby is further authorized and empowered to acquire in the manner hereinbefore set forth, or by lease if in the opinion of the said The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster it be more desirable so to do, additional land, rights, privileges, waters, streams, waterways, water courses, easements, reservoirs, facilities and franchises, for the purpose of enlarging or extending the said water system or approving its efficiency.

SEC. 6. The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster hereby is further authorized and empowered to pass all ordinances, rules and regulations necessary to properly provide for the operation, management, maintenance and improvement of the said water system; and the said water system may be operated to furnish water not only to all premises located within the limits of the City of Westminster but also to all premises located anywhere in Carroll County.

SEC. 7. The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster hereby is further authorized, empowered and directed to charge all premises supplied with water from the said water system such rate or rates therefor as shall be prescribed by ordinances or resolutions of The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster, such ordinances or resolutions to be subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission of Maryland; and all moneys received for water so supplied shall constitute a separate fund to be in the keeping of the Treasurer of The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster and to be known as the "Water Fund". Such moneys shall be used in the operation and maintenance of the said water system and may also be used to defer the cost of any extension or improvement of the said water system, to pay the interest on and the principal of any outstanding bonds on the said water system which may have been assumed by the said The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster at the time of the acquisition of the said water system and the interest on and the principal of any bonds which may be issued under the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 8. The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster hereby is authorized and empowered to annually levy a tax on every \$100 worth of assessable property in the City of Westminster in such amount as may be necessary to so supplement the "Water Fund" as to adequately provide for the operation and maintenance of the said water system; and the said The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster is further authorized, empowered and directed so long as any bonds which may have been assumed by it under the provisions of this Act are