

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That all roads, streets, avenues or alleys lying within the territory annexed to the said town by this Act, and heretofore dedicated or acquired by condemnation proceedings under the provisions of any of the laws of Maryland, or the Common Law, and in actual general use as a road, street, avenue or alley, shall be held to be validly constituted public highways of the Town of Cottage City.

The said Cottage City Commission, whenever it shall determine it to be necessary for the public benefit, that any road, street, avenue or alley should be improved, which is not, by the provisions of this Act, made a public highway of said town, it shall take supervision and control of the same, and such road, street, avenue or alley shall thereupon become a public highway of the Town of Cottage City.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That all the inhabitants of the territory annexed to the Town of Cottage City by this Act shall in all respects and to all intents and purposes, be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested, or to be vested by law, in the Cottage City Commission, and to all ordinances now in force in said town, or which may hereafter be enacted and ordained by it, so far as the same may be consistent with the provisions of this Act, and the territory so annexed shall, in all respects, be taken and considered as a part of the municipal corporation of the Town of Cottage City. And be it further enacted, that the General Assembly of Maryland does hereby determine, because of the increased burden on the taxpayers of the Town of Cottage City in furnishing fire protection to the territory described, an acute emergency exists and the General Assembly of Maryland further determines that passage of this Act is necessary to deal properly with such acute emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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