

purpose to the legal voters of Baltimore City, and declaring this act to be an emergency law.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore be and it is hereby authorized to issue the certificates of indebtedness of said corporation to an amount not exceeding Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000), the said certificates of indebtedness to be issued from time to time and for such amounts, and payable at such periods, and to bear such rate or rates of interest, all as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall by ordinance or ordinances from time to time provide; but said certificates of indebtedness shall not be issued in whole or in part unless an ordinance or ordinances of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore providing for the issuance thereof shall be submitted to the legal voters of Baltimore City at such time and place as may be fixed by said ordinance or ordinances and be approved by a majority of the votes cast at such time and place as required by Section 7 of Article 11 of the Constitution of Maryland; and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, in submitting any ordinance or ordinances for the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness, or any part thereof, to the legal voters of Baltimore City, may submit and resubmit the same at any municipal election as well as at any general election to be held in Baltimore City.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the proceeds of said certificates of indebtedness hereby authorized to be issued, not exceeding the par value thereof, shall be used for the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation or any other legal means, of land or property, or any rights therein, in the City of Baltimore, and constructing and erecting on said land or property, or on any land or property now or hereafter owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and constructing and erecting on said land or property, or on any land or property now or hereafter owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, new Enoch Pratt Free Library branch buildings and other auxiliary facilities, and for additions and improvements to, or the reconstruction of, existing Enoch Pratt Free Library buildings, and for the reconstruction, renovation, modernization or improvement of any buildings or structures now or hereafter owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and to be used to house the functions or activities of the Enoch Pratt Free Library system, and for the purchase, acquisition, installation and erection of any and all kinds of furniture and equipment for any and all of the new facilities authorized to be constructed, erected or acquired by the provisions hereof, and for the purchase, acquisition, installation and erection of any and all kinds of library or auxiliary equipment for the Enoch Pratt Free Library system or for alterations to, or the replacement of, any such existing equipment now being used by, or in connection with, the Enoch Pratt Free Library system; and for doing any and all things necessary in connection therewith or pertaining thereto.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may, by ordinance or ordinances, authorize the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness in series maturing at stated periods, and may make payable annually a portion of the principal of said certificates of indebtedness, and any portion or all