## **HOUSE JOURNAL**

## SPECIAL SESSION

Annapolis, Md., March 13, 1958.

STATE OF MARYLAND, TO WIT:

This being the day appointed by the Governor for a Special Session of the General Assembly of Maryland at 10.00 o'clock A. M. Mr. George W. Owings, Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates during the regular session of February 1958, called the House to order and, after the offering of the prayer by Hon. S. Fenton Harris, the Reading Clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names.

Messrs.—
Speaker, Combs, Raley, Harris (R. B.), Joiner, Kirkland, Melvin, Ridout, Tawney, Wade, Whitmore, Dowell, Hance, Jenkins, Parran, Boone. Brewster, Culver, Jackson, Maguire, State, Harrison, Latham, Lowe, Quinn, Riggin, Simpkins, Adams, Bennett, Brinsfield, Corkran, Burkley, McCool, Mackie, Loveless, Machen, Nichols, Sasscer, Sickles, Wilkinson, Eaton, Risley, Hickman, Polk, Stevens, Derr, Harris (S. F.), Payne, Smelser, Utterback, Virts, Hatem, Hess, Moore, Tydings, Blades, Hughes (H.), Dabrowski, Milanicz, Mrozinski, Nowakowski, Silk, Walters, Antonelli, Bartos, Behounek, Hedrick, Mach, Urban, Acker, Brooks, Buffington, Culotta, Kenney, McNeal, Abramson, Cole, Friedman, Hatchett, Pollack, Robinson, Bacharach, Cardin, Fitzgerald, Mandel, Silver, Baynes, Corrigan, Hodges, Loose, Meyers (W. W.), Myers (W. J.), Ankeney, Berkson, Bloom, Brewer, Huyett, Porter, Browning, Gude, Lee, Schweinhaut, Wheeler, Woodward, Berry, Cook, Driscoll, Hughes (G. R.), Reed, Williams, Barnes, Hahn, Six, Smith, Brown, Murray, Cannon, Hanna, Larmore, White, Ashby, Edwards, Glotfelty. Glotfelty.

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND CONVENING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND IN SPECIAL SESSION AT ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 1958,

AT 10:00 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Whereas, the 1958 session of the General Assembly was confronted with pressing budgetary and financial problems which were difficult of solution because of a number of factors; and

WHEREAS, in order ultimately to reach a majority accord to fulfill the Constitutional obligations and duties of the Legislature within the thirty day limitation of Section 15 of Article III of the Constitution of Maryland, it was necessary to resort to an unprecedented degree to the practice or custom of turning back the clock, accompanied by extended recesses, is that legislative days did not keep pace with calendar days; and

Whereas, the Attorney General of Maryland has expressed some doubt as to the validity of important and vital legislation enacted after the lapse of thirty calendar days of the 1958 legislative session because of extended recesses and thereby the possible unduly extensive resort to the legal fiction of legislative days; and