

WHEREAS, The Legislative Council in consultation with the Department of State Planning, the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning, and the Department of Economic and Community Development has investigated the proper role of the State in the Model Cities program; and

WHEREAS, hearings were held to collect pertinent information and obtain the opinions of concerned State and Local Officials and Residents of the Model Cities areas; and

WHEREAS, The Legislative Council has found that the programs of local Model Cities areas and other communities throughout the State with similar problems need greater direct State support and assistance; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the State's role in the Model Cities program should continue to be essentially one of planning and coordination of programs by the appropriate agency to provide for interagency and intergovernmental cooperation, and information exchange; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Governor should instruct State agencies to establish a priority system to give priorities to certain projects (such as schools, community colleges, clinics, recreation areas, sewers, etc.) which either lie within the designated Model Cities areas or projects outside the areas but which have a service impact on the Model Cities Areas; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the State should, through the Department of Economic and Community Development, use the knowledge derived from the existing federally designated Model Cities' programs to assist other jurisdictions to derive similar benefits from federal programs in Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Health, Education and Welfare (HEW), Appalachia and other agencies; and be it further

*Resolved,* That it is appropriate to use State funds to assist other communities in the planning and application process for worthwhile programs and for "local fund" availability such as federal funding assistance provides in the federally designated Model Cities areas; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Governor of Maryland, the Secretary of the Department of State Planning, the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning and the Secretary of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

Approved April 26, 1972.

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House Joint Resolution requesting the Secretary of Transportation and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to conduct an