PARRIS N. GLENDENING, Governor

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 23-11 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the State Administrative Board of Election Laws does hereby certify that at the General Election held in the State of Maryland on November 8, 1994, an Act known as Chapter 102 of the Acts of 1994 was submitted to the voters of the State of Maryland under the provisions of Article XIV of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, said Act being as follows:

AN ACT concerning

Declaration of Rights - Victim's Rights

For the purpose of adding a new article to the Maryland Declaration of Rights establishing that a victim of crime has a constitutional right to be treated with dignity, respect, and sensitivity during all phases of the criminal justice process; establishing that a victim of crime has a constitutional right to be informed of the rights established in this Amendment and, under certain circumstances, to be notified of, to attend, and to be heard at the criminal justice proceeding, as these rights are implemented and certain terms are specified by law; providing that nothing in this Amendment permits any civil cause of action for monetary damages for violation of any of its provisions or authorizes a victim of crime to take any action to stay a criminal justice proceeding; and submitting this Amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

And it is hereby certified that at said election, 1,072,914 votes were cast for the adoption of said Chapter 102 and 87,861 votes were cast against the adoption of said Chapter 102, the said Chapter 102 of the Acts of 1994 has therefore been ratified.

GIVEN Under My Hand and the Great Seal of Maryland, Done at the City of Annapolis, this 7th day of December, In the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-four.

(Seal of State Administrative Board of Election Laws)

> Gene M. Raynor Administrator