Whereas, due to the great congestion of traffic on the Hanover Street Bridge and through the downtown area of Baltimore, there is great need for a more direct route with less congestion and with greater opportunities for expediting north and south bound traffic; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a tunnel under or a bridge over the Patapsco River, at Baltimore City, would be of great value in the defense program of the country; and

WHEREAS, since such a tunnel or bridge would primarily be for the benefit of traffic originating in the northeastern and southeastern section of the United States; and

WHEREAS, for this reason and for defense purposes, the cost of such construction should properly be paid by the Federal Government; therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Congress of the United States be and it is hereby requested to make provision for the construction of a tunnel under or a bridge over the Patapsco River, at Baltimore City, in order to provide greater facilities for north and south bound traffic, as a part of the National Defense Program; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby requested to send a copy of this resolution, under the great seal of the State of Maryland, to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to each of the representatives from Maryland in the United States Congress.

Approved May 29, 1941.

NO. 3.

(House Joint Resolution 8)

Joint Resolution requesting the United States Congress and the Department of the Interior of the United States to convey certain federally-owned land in the City of Cumberland to the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior has acquired title to all the lands formerly owned by the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Company within the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, a part of this land is located within the limits of the City of Cumberland, Maryland; and