

JOINT RESOLUTIONS SIGNED  
by the  
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE  
and the  
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

No. 1

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 16)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Kent Island

FOR the purpose of requesting recognition that Kent Island is the first permanent English settlement of English speaking people within the boundaries of Maryland.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Historical Society has placed an historical marker on the Island stating "William Claiborne of Virginia established a trading post, settlement and fort at the south end of this Island in 1631"; and

WHEREAS, In the Maryland Archives, Vol. 3 Folio 32, it states that "17 August 1631 the Isle of Kent was planted..."; and

WHEREAS, In William Claiborne's personal answer to Cloberry's libel (Vol. 28 Folio 106, Maryland Historical Magazine) he says, "that in or about the month of August 1631, he (sic) did take possession of one of the Islands articulate called the Isle of Kent"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward C. Papenfuse, State Archivist, Dr. Gregory A. Stiverson, Assistant State Archivist, and Mrs. Phoebe Jacobson, Senior Archivist have confirmed authenticity of the above evidence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Kent Island be ~~declared~~ recognized as the site of the first English permanent settlement of English speaking people within the boundaries of Maryland.

Signed May 12, 1981.

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No. 2

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 23)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Gas and Electric Company Service Terminations