BY: Environmental Matters Committee

## AMENDMENT TO HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14 (First Reading File Joint Resolution)

On page 1, after line 19, insert:

"WHEREAS, Aberdeen Proving Ground has played an important role in the well-being of the State of Maryland and the upper bay region by employing over 10,000 citizens of the State and contributing over \$600 million to the economy of our State; and

WHEREAS, Aberdeen Proving Ground plays a vital role in providing a strong, secure defense for the entire country, and its continued presence and employment base is important to all the citizens of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The Aberdeen Proving Ground has long been involved in and worked with neighboring communities to resolve problems affecting those communities, as well as Maryland counties whenever possible; and".