

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 10

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By: **Senator Waldstreicher**

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1 A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

2 **United States Congress – Support for the Francis G. Newlands Memorial**
3 **Removal Act**

4 FOR the purpose of affirming the Maryland General Assembly’s support for the enactment
5 of the Francis G. Newlands Memorial Removal Act by the United States Congress;
6 and generally relating to the removal of certain items from the Francis G. Newlands
7 Memorial Fountain.

8 WHEREAS, U.S. Senate Bill S. 3515 and U.S. House of Representatives Bill H.R.
9 1256 direct the U.S. Department of the Interior to remove a plaque bearing the name
10 “Senator Francis G. Newlands”, a projection bearing the name “Francis Griffith Newlands”,
11 and a carving with the name “Newlands Memorial Fountain” from the Francis Griffith
12 Newlands Memorial Fountain, and require the Department to offer the items removed to
13 descendants of Francis Griffith Newlands for a certain period and, if the items are not
14 claimed by descendants of Francis Griffith Newlands, to maintain the items as federal
15 property and accession of the items into the Rock Creek Park museum collection; and

16 WHEREAS, The Francis G. Newlands Memorial is located at Chevy Chase Circle on
17 the border between the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia; and

18 WHEREAS, Francis Griffith Newlands fervently endorsed white supremacist
19 values, which conflict with the values of diversity, acceptance, and inclusion that make our
20 State great; now, therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND**, That the Maryland
22 General Assembly affirms its support for the enactment of the Francis G. Newlands
23 Memorial Removal Act as it was introduced in both chambers of the United States
24 Congress; and be it further

25 **RESOLVED**, That certified copies of this Joint Resolution be sent by the Secretary
26 of State to the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, President of the United States of America, 1600
27 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20500; the Honorable Kamala Harris, Vice



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1 President of the United States, President of the United States Senate, Suite
2 S-212, United States Capitol Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; and the Honorable Deb
3 Haaland, United States Secretary of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
4 20240; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
6 Legislative Services to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Benjamin L.
7 Cardin and Christopher Van Hollen, Jr., Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510;
8 and Representatives Andrew P. Harris, C. A. Dutch Ruppersberger III, John P. Sarbanes,
9 Anthony G. Brown, Steny Hamilton Hoyer, David J. Trone, Kweisi Mfume, and Jamie
10 Raskin, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
12 Legislative Services to the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor of Maryland; the
13 Honorable William C. Ferguson, IV, President of the Senate of Maryland; and the
14 Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates.