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## **By: Charles County Delegation**

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 A House Joint Resolution concerning
- 2 Volunteers Maryland Defense Force
- 3 FOR the purpose of recognizing the contribution to the State of the Maryland Defense
- 4 Force and its members.
- 5 WHEREAS, The Maryland Defense Force is composed entirely of volunteers who
- 6 train for duty in support of the various State missions of the MarylandNational Guard;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Maryland Defense Force carries out missions and duties that
- 9 involve community, service, and humanitarian activities throughout the State; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The spirit and dedication shown by the members of the Maryland
- 11 Defense Force exemplify the highest traditions of duty to community, State, nation, and
- 12 mankind; and
- WHEREAS, There is a need to bring to the attention of all Marylanders the many
- 14 accomplishments of this effective organization; and
- WHEREAS, It is important to the citizens of the State that the members of the
- 16 Maryland Defense Force give their time and expertise in worthy causes that benefit all
- 17 the citizens of the State; and
- WHEREAS, Many of the members of the Maryland Defense Force have prior
- 19 service in the armed forces of the United States, rendering such service in both war and
- 20 peace; and
- 21 WHEREAS, The continued service of the members of the Maryland Defense
- 22 Force is a significant asset to the State; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the
- 24 Maryland Defense Force and each individual member is to be commended for activities
- 25 that benefit the State and its citizens; and be it further
- 26 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
- 27 Legislative Reference to the Honorable Parris N. Glendening, Governor of Maryland; the
- 28 Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the
- 29 Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates; and Brigadier
- 30 General William H. Neal, Commandant of the Maryland Defense Force, Pikesville
- 31 Military Reservation, 610 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville, MD 21208-5197.