

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8

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1 A House Joint Resolution concerning

2 **Commission to Rename Mountains in the State**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a commission to rename Negro Mountain and Polish
4 Mountain; providing for the membership of the commission; requiring the
5 commission to provide certain information to the Governor, General Assembly,
6 Maryland State Archives, Maryland Geological Survey, and Department of
7 Natural Resources on or before a certain date; and generally relating to
8 establishing a commission to rename mountains in the State.

9 WHEREAS, Negro Mountain is located in Garrett County, with its highest
10 point reaching 3,075 feet; and

11 WHEREAS, Polish Mountain is located in Allegany County, with its highest
12 point reaching 1,783 feet; and

13 WHEREAS, The names of these mountains should be changed to reflect more
14 accurately the history and culture of the region within which they are located; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the
17 Governor, in consultation with the Maryland State Archives, Maryland Geological
18 Survey, and Department of Natural Resources, shall establish a commission to rename
19 Negro Mountain in Garrett County and Polish Mountain in Allegany County; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That the commission be composed of an appropriate number of
22 members appointed by the Governor; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That, on or before December 31, 2011, the commission inform the
24 Governor, General Assembly, Maryland State Archives, Maryland Geological Survey,
25 and Department of Natural Resources of the new names that were selected for Negro
26 Mountain and Polish Mountain; and be it further



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1 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
2 Legislative Services to the Honorable Martin O'Malley, Governor of Maryland; the
3 Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the
4 Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates.