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10 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING
20 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

30 WHEREAS: The Pledge of Allegiance has been a well respected, unifying
40 document within our country as well as a long-standing tradition
50 within our school systems since its very creation; and,

60 WHEREAS: Currently, school-aged children may not be learning and
70 understanding the Pledge of Allegiance; and,

80 WHEREAS: Especially within this time of tragedy and confusion, considering
90 the recent events in New York, Washington D.C., and
100 Pennsylvania, this tradition needs to be upheld; and,

110 WHEREAS: It is not only beneficial, but also important to these young
120 impressionable people we label as our future to understand and
130 respect the meaning and origin of as well as the pledge itself; and,

140 WHEREAS: Most recently the Pledge has been an integral part of our country's
150 healing process; and,

160 WHEREAS: Rather than have meaningless words be recited out of mere habit, it
170 is important that the public, beginning with our children,
180 understand and appreciate what it is they are pledging.

190 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Maryland Student Legislature
200 strongly encourages the Maryland state government to allow for
210 curriculum concerning the origin and meaning of the Pledge of
220 Allegiance within its school systems.

230 MANDATES: Governor Parris Glendening
260 Lt. Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend
270 Department of Education
280 President of the Senate Thomas V. Miller
290 Speaker of the House of Delegates Casper R. Taylor

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