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10 **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EFFICIENCY AND EXPANSION OF**
20 **MARYLAND MEDICAL EMERGENCY SYSTEMS**

30 **WHEREAS:** Maryland hospitals receive an average of 2.2 million emergency department
40 visits per year. Often these establishments experience such problems as patient
50 overcrowding, staffing shortages, limited funding, and lack of system
60 coordination; and,

70 **WHEREAS:** Robert R. Bass, the current Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for
80 EMS Systems, recently reported the need for improved hospital efficiency
90 which includes department expansion and better funding systems for hospitals.

100 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the Governor
110 and the Maryland General Assembly to increase the yearly Emergency
120 Medical Systems Appropriations funding allowing the expansion of
130 emergency department space and for the increase of professional staffing; and,

140 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Health and Human Services Subcommittee work more
150 closely with Maryland Emergency Service officials to design a more effective
160 and coordinated emergency care system.

170 **MANDATES:** Governor Martin O'Malley
180 Speaker of the House Michael E. Busch
190 President of the Senate Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
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