

**R010-0910**

10      **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PUBLIC EDUCATION IN MARYLAND**

20      **WHEREAS:** The standard of living for high school dropouts is markedly lower than that of high school  
30 graduates; and,

40      **WHEREAS:** The time devoted to and knowledge gleaned from classes teaching theoretical knowledge is  
50 of little practical significance to these students; and,

60      **WHEREAS:** The recognition of this fact by lower income students may discourage some from completing  
70 school; and,

80      **WHEREAS:** A volatile home situation for many of these students may limit their recognition of and  
90 appreciation for virtues of practicality; and,

100     **WHEREAS:** The combination of an unstable home situation with failure to achieve in school may  
110 negatively impact personal expectation and motivation; and,

120     **WHEREAS:** Low expectations tend to become a self fulfilling prophecy.

130     **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the General Assembly  
140 to devise and pass legislation mandating the establishment of public technical boarding schools; and,

150     **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That these schools will be equipped to provide students with food and  
160 housing; and,

170     **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That these schools will be staffed with psychological  
180 counselors adequate to accommodate 50% of the current student body for monthly one on one sessions;  
and,

190     **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the district distribution of these schools will be based on need, able  
200 to service every Maryland student wishing to attend.

210     **MANDATES:**

220     Governor Martin O' Malley

230     Lt. Governor Anthony Brown

240     Maryland State Board of Education President James H. DeGraffenreidt, Jr.

250     Maryland State Board of Education Vice President Dr. Charlene M. Dukes

260     Senator Ben Cardin

270     Senator Barabara Mikulski

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