

By the Senate

January 27th. 1841.

Whereas at the meeting of the Electors of President and Vice President of the United States in and for this State, held in this City, on the first Tuesday day in December last, the following Preamble and Resolution were adopted, to wit:

"Whereas it is understood that no record has been kept of the proceedings of the Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, in and for the State of Maryland, except for the years Eighteen Hundred and Thirty two and Eighteen Hundred and Thirty four, nor of any of the persons connected therewith, nor of the names of the Electors, nor of the persons voted for from time to time, for President and Vice President of the United States, by the Electors duly chosen by the People of this State; and whereas it is important and proper that the same, so far as practicable, should be obtained and preserved among the Archives of this State: Therefore,

Resolved, that it is respectfully recommended to the General Assembly of Maryland to cause to be procured from the proper office of the General Government full and authentic copies of so much of the proceedings of each and every College of Presidential Electors of the State of Maryland, prior to the year Eighteen Hundred and Thirty Two, as may be then found, and to have the same recorded in a Book, for the purpose to be obtained, together with the proceedings of the Colleges of the years, Eighteen Hundred and Thirty two, Eighteen Hundred and Thirty four and the present year."

And whereas, in the judgment of this General Assembly, the record, contemplated in the foregoing Preamble and Resolution, ought to be made for the purpose of preserving among the Archives of the State the evidence of acts required to be performed by the People of Maryland by the Constitution of the United States, and which are highly important and interesting parts of her history:

Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, that Joseph H. Nicholson, the Secretary of the said Electoral College, be directed to procure from the office of the Secretary of the Senate of the United States, authenticated copies of the Certificates of the Electoral Votes of Maryland and record the same as proposed by the aforesaid Resolution of the Electors.

By order

for H. Nicholson C.R.