HARRY HUGHES, Governor

JOINT RESOLUTIONS SIGNED
by the
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
and the
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

No. 1

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 8)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Famine Assistance to Africa

FOR the purpose of requesting-the-Governor-to-establish-a-Task Force--on-Famine-Assistance-to-Africa urging all Marylanders to contribute to efforts to provide certain assistance to Africa; and requesting President Reagan and the Congress of the United States to increase certain food relief to Africa, to recognize the needs of African nations, and to provide certain assistance.

WHEREAS, Major portions of the continent of Africa have suffered a severe drought for the last 2 years; and

WHEREAS, Political upheaval has forced significant segments of the population of several African countries to become refugees in order to avoid areas of warfare and strife; and

WHEREAS, The twin scourges of drought and war have created extensive areas of famine scattered throughout the continent of Africa; and $\dot{}$

WHEREAS, The problems of survival for many Africans become more acute with each passing day; and

WHEREAS, The Governor and the members of the General Assembly acknowledge their deep concern over the threat to survival of a large segment of the African population; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to identify areas and ways in which the largest number of Africans in need of assistance can be helped in the shortest amount of time; and

WHEREAS, There is a critical need to develop and implement an emergency plan for assisting the famine stricken areas of Africa; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED-BY--THE--GENERAL--ASSEMBLY--OF--MARYLAND,-That-the Governor-is-requested-to-establish-a-Task-Force-to-study-ways--in which--the--State-may-assist-the-famine-stricken-areas-of-Africa; and-be-it-further

RESOLVED, -That-the-Task-Force-be-composed-of: