RESOLUTION NO. R 038 86

ENDORSING THE ACTION OF THE DELAWARE HERITAGE COMMISSION IN DISPATCHING THE DELAWARE DELEGATION TO ANNAPOLIS ONCE AGAIN

WHEREAS, September 11-14, 1986 will be the 200th anniversary of the Annapolis Convention, the meeting which called for a convention in Philadelphia in 1787 to deal with the problems of the Articles of Confederation and render the government "adequate to the exigencies of the Union", which resulted in the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Delaware sent three delegates to the Annapolis Convention: John Dickinson, George Read, and Richard Bassett; and John Dickinson was named chairman of the convention and signed the final report; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Heritage Commission has been charged by the General Assembly to plan, encourage, develop, coordinate and implement observances and activities pertaining to the achievement in Delaware of liberty and independence through a constitutional government; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Heritage Commission will recreate the journey of Delaware's delegated with representatives of the delegates on horseback and in a carriage, beginning in New Castle and stopping at Buena Vista, Cantwell's Bridge (now sometimes called Odessa), Smyrna and Woodburn on September 10, 1986; beginning in Dover and riding to the Delaware border on September 11, 1986; arriving in Annapolis to be greeted by officials there on September 12, 1986; and participating in festivities at Fort Meade, Maryland on September 14, 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Delmarva Morgan Horse Club under the direction of Tom Molin, founder and two term president, has provided horses, riders and a carriage for the reenactment; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly in Concurrent Resolution No. 160 has noted Delaware's early leadership and foresight among the several states and urges all Delawareans to participate in activities related to the reenactment,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sussex County Council does endorse the action of the Delaware Heritage Commission in dispatching the Delaware delegation to Annapolis once again, recalling the state's role in the creation of the United States Constitution and Delaware's role as "The First State" to ratify on December 7, 1787, and they do wish the Delaware delegaton Godspeed on their journey.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R 038 86 PASSED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUSSEX COUNTY ON THE 2ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1986.

Emogene F. Ellis

Clerk of the County Council