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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1471**

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H. P. 1249

House of Representatives, April 7, 1977

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Green of Auburn.

Cosponsors: Mr. Hughes of Auburn, Mrs. Trafton of Auburn, Mrs. Lewis of Auburn.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**RESOLVE, to Authorize the Conveyance of the National Guard Armory in  
Auburn to the City of Auburn.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts and Resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the maintenance of a National Guard installation in Auburn separate from that in Lewiston is no longer considered practical or economical resulting in the deletion by the State Military Bureau of operational funds for the National Guard Armory in Auburn, better known as the Hasty Memorial Armory, from its bulget for the 2 ensuing fiscal years; and

Whereas, the City of Auburn is greatly in need of a facility such as the Hasty Memorial Armory to provide indoor recreational opportunities not presently available for young people and adults of the city, to provide a meeting place for 1,400 enrolled members of the senior citizens of Auburn and to house the administrative offices of the Auburn Parks and Recreation Department; and

Whereas, the National Guard Armory in Auburn is located in an existing public park in the City of Auburn and accessible only over roads which were part of a grant of land to the city conditioned upon its being used only for a park or for recreational purposes; and

Whereas, the City of Auburn contributed the sum of \$52,168.26 to the original cost of constructing the National Guard facility in Auburn; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

**Conveyance of National Guard Armory. Resolved:** That the Director of the Bureau of Public Improvements is authorized to lease for a period of 5 years the Hasty Memorial Armory at Auburn to the City of Auburn for the sum of \$1, after which the City of Auburn shall have the option to purchase the facility for the sum of \$1.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this resolve is to provide for the lease of the Hasty Memorial Armory at Auburn for a period of 5 years with an option to purchase at the conclusion of the lease.