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In Senate, March 28, 1991

Reported by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec for the Special Committee for the New Capitol Area Master Plan pursuant to Resolve 1989, chapter 60.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 18.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

Resolve, to Provide Additional Funding and an Extension of Time to Allow Phase 2 of the New Capitol Area Master Plan to Be Completed.

(EMERGENCY)

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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, completion of a New Capitol Area Master Plan is urgently needed to guide future development of the capitol area which is held in trust for the people of Maine; and

Whereas, this plan will serve as a blueprint for the future, recognizing reasonable growth with a commitment to protect and preserve our valued inheritance; and

Whereas, a committee is in place and actively participating with the heads of State Government and local government in an all out effort to preserve and protect this valued inheritance and turn back public signs of neglect and in attention; and

Whereas, in recognizing the importance of the master planning process, the Legislature established a moratorium on all land use decisions by state agencies within the capitol area until the master plan is completed; and

Whereas, the deadline for a final report must be extended to allow for completion of the planning process; 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

Sec. 1. Resolve 1989, c. 60, §7, last sentence, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 1989, c. 60, §7, last sentence, is amended to read:

The committee shall submit a final report that includes the detailed design of the master plan and any necessary implementing legislation to the First <u>Second</u> Regular Session of the 115th Legislature, no later than January 15, 1991 <u>1992</u>; and be it further

Sec. 2. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1991-92

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Provides funds to the Special Committee on the New Capitol Area Master Plan for phase 2 activities in fiscal year 1991-92 including a facilities plan, a physical master plan, a management plan and other related studies.

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Sec. 3. Retroactivity. Resolved: That section 1 of this resolve is retroactive to January 15, 1991.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

As anticipated in the master planning process which was 18 prepared by the master planner and reviewed by the Special Committee for the New Capitol Area Master Plan, substantial 20 additional work needs to be accomplished in order for the master. plan be completed. A <u>Progress Report and Initial</u> to 22 Recommendations was issued by the master planner and the special committee on January 15, 1991. In that report, a number of 24 actions are recommended for consideration and funding by the Legislature. This resolve provides the additional time and funds 26 that are necessary to complete the master plan.

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