

## No. 2-A

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one, article nine, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section one of article nine is hereby amended to read as follows:—

Section 1. All property taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation a uniform value in money of the total taxable value of each persons property, or of the taxable value of homesteads, and also all public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, institutions of purely public charity, and real and personal property owned, occupied, and used by any branch, post or camp of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines. Uniformity shall not be required in the case of income, inheritance, estate and other excise taxes which may be graded or graduated and provide for exemptions; but all such taxes shall be levied and collected under general laws.

ROY E. FURMAN

Speaker of the House of Representatives

HARVEY HUFFMAN

President pro tempore of the Senate

## No. 3-A

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section eighteen, article three, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section eighteen of article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby amended to read as follows:—

Section 18. No appropriations shall be made for charitable, educational or benevolent purposes to any person or community nor to any

denominational or sectarian institution, corporation or association: Provided, That appropriations may be made for pensions or gratuities for military services, and to blind persons twenty-one years of age and upwards, and for assistance to mothers having dependent children, and to aged persons without adequate means of support.

ROY E. FURMAN

Speaker of the House of Representatives

HARVEY HUFFMAN

President pro tempore of the Senate

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No. 4-A

### A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article fourteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by adding section eight.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That article fourteen be amended by adding thereto section eight to read as follows:—

Section 8. The County of Philadelphia as a municipal corporation separate and distinct from the City of Philadelphia is hereby abolished. Functions of county government within the city and the functions of the Philadelphia courts shall be performed by officers of the city who shall be appointed or elected, as may be provided by law; but nothing in this section applies to the manner of selecting judges and magistrates. Except as the General Assembly may otherwise provide, the tax-levying body of the city shall control all expenditures from the city treasury. Laws shall be enacted to provide that all appointments and promotions of officers and employes, paid out of the city treasury, shall be according to merit and fitness. No officer or employe, whose compensation or the requirements of whose office are met in whole or in part from the city treasury, shall receive for his own use any fees or commissions for any work done in the course of his employment by any public agency, and all such fees or commissions received shall be paid into the city treasury for the use of the city. No law regulating the affairs of cities or counties shall be held invalid as local or special because of the inclusion of provisions giving effect to this section.

Section 2. That no inconvenience may arise from the changes in the Constitution of the Commonwealth and in order to carry the same into complete operation, it is hereby declared that—

This amendment shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Immediately upon the adoption of the amendment all county and court officers and employes, paid out of the city treasury of Philadel-