No. 86.

Resolution by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland.

Whereas, There is now pending before the General Assembly a bill to amend the Fifteenth Article of the Bill of Rights; and

Whereas, The special local interests of Baltimore City may be seriously injured by the rigid enforcement of tax laws that may seem to be beneficial to the counties; and

Whereas, The local tax rate for the support of Municipal Government is much greater than the general tax rate for State purposes; and

Whereas, The present tax laws and the proposed re assessment laws make no distinction in taxation between different kinds of property, but require both the State and City tax rates to fall equally upon all kinds of property within the City of Baltimore; and

Whereas, A much greater revenue can be had both for State and City purposes if a lighter local tax rate be imposed upon certain forms of personal property or improvements of real estate; therefore be it

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That in the name of the people of Baltimore, they respectfully request the General Assembly of the State, that said bill be amended so as to permit the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by ordinance to such extent as may seem to them expedient to exempt any species of personal property or improvements to real estate from taxation for City purposes;

provided, that all taxes shall be uniform throughout the City of Baltimore upon the same kind or species of property, and provided further, that no such ordinance shall be operative until ratified by a vote of the people of said City, to be taken at the next general election, and if so ratified by the people, shall be liable to be repealed until the ordinance repealing the same shall have been ratified by the people of said City at a general election.

Approved March 24th, 1892.

FERDINAND C. LATROBE, Mayor.

No. 87.

Resolution to gravel Fulton avenue, from North avenue to Druid Hill Park.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioner be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to gravel Fulton avenue, from North avenue to Druid Hill Park, and that the sum of one thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to defray the cost of the same, said sum to be taken from the taxes collected in the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Wards.

Approved March 28th, 1892.

FERDINAND C. LATROBE, Mayor.