SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved,* That the Harbor Board is hereby authorized and instructed to carry out the provisions of this resolution.

Approved May 10, 1911.

J. BARRY MAHOOL, *Mayor.*

No. 41.

Resolution providing for the appointment of a commission to advance the interest of the American Merchant Marine.

WHEREAS, There have been various movements and plans for restoring the supremacy of the United States in the ocean-carrying trade of the world, which this country enjoyed down to the time of the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, Baltimore was the home port of a great fleet of vessels in former years and enjoyed a large trade upon the high seas, which the enterprise of her merchants and her favorable location midway on the Atlantic Coast brought to her; and

WHEREAS, For these and other reasons Baltimore is an appropriate place for taking measures looking to the re-establishment of the ocean trade of the United States; therefore be it

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore city, That a joint committee of the City Council be appointed, to consist of the President of each Branch and two members from each Branch, to be appointed by the respective Presidents thereof, the duty of which committee shall be to call a convention to be held in the City of Baltimore at such time and place as said committee may appoint, and to send invitations to all commercial bodies in the larger cities of the South asking them to send delegates to the said convention, along with representatives of the press, and that the purpose of the said convention shall be to consider proper measures for the upbuilding of our merchant marine and to appeal to the Congress of the United States for such legislation as may be deemed expedient by the said convention; be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor of the City of Baltimore be and hereby is authorized to appoint a committee of citizens to co-operate with the said joint committee of the City Council in making arrangements for holding said convention, of which committee the Mayor shall be the Chairman.

Approved May 15, 1911.

J. BARRY MAHOOL, *Mayor.*