

such filled lands unless the navigation servitude is made inapplicable. The proposed legislation is intended to accomplish this.

There is very little commercial navigation in the area proposed to be declared nonnavigable, and the city's project will enhance the value of the area for private recreation navigation by small craft. It would therefore appear that no adverse effects on navigation will result.

Mr. Chairman, that completes my statement.

Mr. BLATNIK. This area will be nonnavigable and the surrounding area will be navigable as far as recreation craft is concerned; will it not?

Colonel SEIDEL. That is correct.

Mr. BLATNIK. There is no cost to the Federal Government?

Colonel SEIDEL. That is correct.

Mr. BLATNIK. And we have had legislation of this type before where we have declared it nonnavigable for quite similar purposes; is that not so?

Colonel SEIDEL. Yes, sir.

Mr. BLATNIK. Thank you very much.

We are privileged to have the chairman of the full committee with us.

STATEMENT OF HON. GEORGE H. FALLON, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF MARYLAND

The CHAIRMAN. I am taking this opportunity to advise my colleagues on the Public Works Committee of a most splendid and exciting project in the City of Baltimore and to ask your assistance in its successful accomplishment.

The City of Baltimore, through the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency, is sponsoring the Inner Harbor Program, which calls for the revitalization and redevelopment of one-fourth of Baltimore's downtown area. The first stage, Inner Harbor Project I, contains 85 acres along three sides of the Harbor basin, adjacent to the southeast corner of the Charles Center. The boundaries of Project I are Gay Street and Battery Avenue on the east, Lombard Street on the north, Hughes Street and Key Highway on the south, and Charles and Hanover Streets on the west.

It is estimated that Project I will ultimately cost \$120,000,000 of which \$85,000,000 will be private or institutional investment. Public expenditures of almost \$35,000,000 will be required to acquire and clear the land and create a setting that will attract development by private enterprise.

Inner Harbor Project I will provide a wide range of development opportunities. Private construction will include office buildings, apartments, restaurants, shops, theaters, a motel-boatel with marina, garages and other retail and service establishments—all complemented by tree-lined, landscaped boulevards, waterfront parks and playing fields. Institutional development will include a 70,000 square foot Science Center, an International Trade Center, apartments for the elderly, a nursing home, neighborhood and recreation center.