

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland
KEEP MARYLAND BEAUTIFUL DAY
MARCH 20, 2017

WHEREAS, The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development and the Maryland Environmental Trust, operating under the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, both seek to promote neighborhood beautification statewide through increasing urban greening, citizen stewardship, community education, and litter removal activities; and to also promote workforce development through volunteer recruitment and jobs skills training; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development seeks to become the Keep Maryland Beautiful state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful in order to expand grant making opportunities, corporate partnerships and technical assistance to support local community groups and nonprofit entities in their quest to provide litter removal, beautification, and workforce training in the State; and

WHEREAS, Keep America Beautiful is the leading national organization that provides the expertise, programs and resources to inspire and educate people to take action every day to end littering and advance recycling and improve and beautify America's communities; and

WHEREAS, Keep Maryland Beautiful, administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, will bring together government, nonprofits, businesses and communities to work toward a common vision that all Maryland communities will be clean, green and beautiful; and

WHEREAS, Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup is the nation's largest community improvement program, engaging more than five million volunteers and participants every year to create positive change and lasting impact in local communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 20, 2017 as KEEP MARYLAND BEAUTIFUL DAY in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 20th day of
Two Thousand and seventeen

Governor

Lt. Governor

Secretary of State

