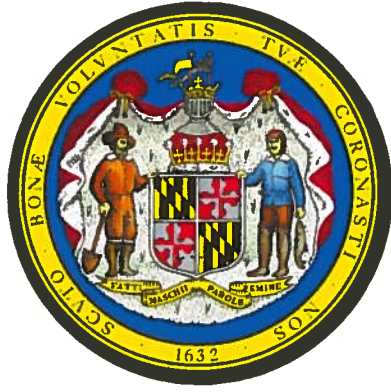


The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY MAY 1, 2020

- WHEREAS,** *Nutritious meals are an essential part of the growth and development of Maryland children; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The staff of Maryland's child nutrition programs are committed to providing healthful, nutritious meals to Maryland children; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland child nutrition program staff have demonstrated steadfast commitment and innovation to provide nutritious meals for all children during the regular school year as well as during the current school closure related to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Those who plan, prepare, and serve meals help nurture our children through their interaction and support, and are on the front lines of the COVID-19 response by serving more than six million meals in their communities; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Friday, May 1, 2020, is celebrated as National School Lunch Hero Day.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 1, 2020 as SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY in Maryland, and do commend the State's school and community nutrition heroes, and express our appreciation to them for their good work, dedication, flexibility, and innovation on behalf of children.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of May
Two Thousand and twenty

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Byrd H. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. W. W. W.
Secretary of State