

# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### **PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY MAY 8, 2020**

- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is pleased to join with organizations nationwide in honoring Child Care Providers on May 8, 2020; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Advocates for children join together to continue to improve the quality and availability of these vital child care services; and*
- WHEREAS,** *By calling attention to the importance of high quality child care services for all children and families within our state, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such services; and*
- WHEREAS,** *It is important to recognize and commend the unselfish dedication, commitment and compassion that child care providers demonstrate every day; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Our future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today; high quality early childcare services represent a worthy commitment to our children's future.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 8, 2020 as PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY in Maryland, and do urge all Marylanders to recognize the critical work of early childhood educators and the value of child care for families, for children and for our state.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 8th day of May  
Two Thousand and twenty

*Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.*  
Governor

*Byrd H. Lathrop*  
Lt. Governor

*John C. Womack*  
Secretary of State