

## Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

## MARYLAND GREEN REGISTRY DAY MAY 20, 2019

WHEREAS, The quality and health of the environment and natural resources of the Sate of Maryland are vital to residents and visitors alike, who enjoy living, recreating and doing business here; and

WHEREAS, Voluntary measures that protect the quality of our air, water and land, including energy efficiency, water conservation, and waste reduction, are smart practices that reduce impacts on the environment while also improving the efficiency of

WHEREAS, The creation of the Maryland Green Registry in 2009 has enabled businesses and organizations of all sizes and types to share the success of the practical and proven sustainable practices they have implemented; and

WHEREAS, Highlighting this proactive approach to environmental management inspires others to become more efficient,

innovative, competitive and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, On the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the program, membership in the Maryland Green Registry has grown to include more than 550 businesses, nonprofits, local governments, schools, colleges, and universities, who collectively have reported reducing more than 12.5 million pounds of waste, saving more than 467 million kilowatt hours of electricity, conserving 191 million gallons of water, and eliminating 9.2 million miles of vehicle travel - practices that are saving these organizations more than \$107 million annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 20, 2019 as MARYLAND GREEN REGISTRY DAY in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.



operations; and

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

Two Thousand and nineteen

St. Governor

Secretary of State