

# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

**BUY LOCAL WEEK  
JULY 22 - 30, 2017**

- WHEREAS,** *Maryland agriculture provides high-quality, locally-grown and produced food for all the citizens of this great State and around the world; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Local farms link the past to the present and are important to the State's economy, environment, and quality of life for future generations; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The support for Maryland farms is found through its citizens' desire for farmland and their choices to purchase fresh, locally-grown produce which contributes higher nutrition, better taste, less waste and less pollution; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The State of Maryland is committed to promoting local agricultural enterprises and calls upon all citizens to choose products produced in the region's farmland each day during the last full week of July 2017.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim JULY 22 - 30, 2017 as the tenth annual BUY LOCAL WEEK 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of July  
Two Thousand and seventeen

*Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.*  
Governor

*Robert K. Luttrell*  
Lt. Governor

*John C. Winkler*  
Secretary of State