

Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

MARYLAND FARMERS' MARKET WEEK AUGUST 7 - 13, 2022

WHEREAS, Farmers' markets are important and popular venues for agricultural producers to increase direct marketing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, There is at least one farmers' market in every county in the State and in Baltimore City for a total of 105 markets statewide where consumers can buy affordable farm-fresh, locally-grown, health produce, plants and baked goods; and

WHEREAS, Farmers' markets serve as integral links between urban, suburban and rural communities, affording farmers and their customers the opportunity to interact; and

WHEREAS, Many Maryland farmers' markets participate in the federal Farmers Market Nutrition programs so that senior citizens and Women, Infants, and Children program participants have access to fresh, healthy, fruits, vegetables and cut herbs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim AUGUST 7 - 13, 2022 as MARYLAND FARMERS' MARKET WEEK in Maryland, to call special and deserved attention to the many farmers' markets in Maryland and their many benefits to local farmers and consumers, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

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Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, this 7th day of August

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Secretary of State