

## Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH
MARCH 2025

WHEREAS, We believe in a Maryland which recognizes the unlimited potential for all our citizens, including those with

developmental disabilities, to live, work, and thrive in our communities; and

WHEREAS, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month is an opportunity to recognize the importance of ensuring

inclusive environments with equal access to communication, education, employment, housing, transportation,

and public accommodation; and

WHEREAS, Maryland supports those with developmental disabilities to make their own decisions, live where and with

whomever they choose, and receive the support they need to be successful, productive, and independent

community members; and

WHEREAS, Promoting equality of opportunity, access, and choice for Marylanders with developmental disabilities

promotes a stronger state; and

WHEREAS, We are committed to the promise of a Maryland in which all people with developmental disabilities have the

knowledge, opportunity, and influence to make a difference in their lives and the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, We recognize that our communities are stronger when everyone participates.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 2025 as DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this observation to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,

this 1<sup>st</sup> day of <sup>Mat</sup> Two Thousand and twenty-five

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Secretary of State