

Proclamation

Economic Development Week

October 23-27, 2023

WHEREAS, Carroll County Department of Economic Development is an active member of the Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to enhance the knowledge and skills of its members, encourage partnerships among people committed to bringing jobs and capital to Maryland, and promote economic development as an investment in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the economic growth and stability of the State affect all regions and jurisdictions of Maryland, and Carroll County is an important component of the State’s economic success; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County Economic Development promotes business attraction, retention, and expansion including agriculture and small business development, tourism, and workforce development for our businesses and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Economic development leads to job creation, increased tax revenue, improved infrastructure, and adds to the quality of life in our communities; and

WHEREAS, we value the 4,614 firms that call Carroll home along with the 96,000 workers that contribute to our local and regional economies; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County remains committed to its agricultural roots and is home to 1,174 farms with 146,778 acres farmed and a total market value of more than \$100 million dollars and is home to a diverse agricultural landscape including commodity farming, dairy/beef, nursery, farm alcohol production and more; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County Workforce Development is dedicated to employment and training with 6,552 citizen engagements and over 260 businesses served annually and is a recognized “Champion of Manufacturing” by the Regional Manufacturing Institute of Maryland for its responsive welding training program; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County Tourism adds significant dollars to the local economy with sales topping \$131million dollars and features the award-winning Carroll County Barn Quilt Trail and the Carroll County Farm Museum as a unique educational, event, and wedding destination; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate Carroll County Economic Development’s success over the last two years including \$153 Million dollars of commercial and industrial investment and expansion of 398,000 square feet; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County is continually working with developers and property owners to showcase and develop additional commercial/industrial property investment; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County boasts a thriving manufacturing sector that ranges from value-added agriculture to defense and food manufacturing and will host the MEDA Fall conference highlighting local and statewide Innovations in Manufacturing October 25th at 1844 Antrim Hotel and Conference Center; and

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE BOARD OF CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim the week of October 23-27, 2023, as Economic Development Week in Carroll County, Maryland, and ask all to join with us to welcome our guests and visitors during the MEDA conference and to recognize and reaffirm the importance of economic development locally and statewide.

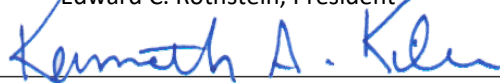
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Adopted this 12th day of October, 2023

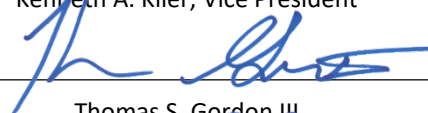
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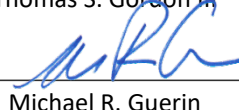
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