

## Economic Development Week October 21, 2024 – October 25, 2024

- WHEREAS, Carroll County Department of Economic Development is an active member of the Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA), a nonprofit organization established in 1961 whose mission is to enhance the knowledge and skills of its members, encourage partnerships and networking among people committed to bringing jobs and capital to Maryland, and promote economic development as an investment in Maryland; and
- WHEREAS, MEDA members promote statewide economic well-being by working to improve Maryland's business climate and the professionalism of those in the field of economic development—including other professionals with a direct interest in the economy of Maryland—through its regular educational meetings, special programs, and community-driven projects; and
- WHEREAS, the economic growth and stability of Maryland affects all regions and jurisdictions of the state, 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, the county values the many businesses that call Carroll home along with the 96,000 workers that contribute to our local and regional economies, and celebrates a diverse and stable business base including a thriving manufacturing sector that produces value-added agriculture, food, aerospace, and defense; and
- WHEREAS, we celebrate Carroll County Economic Development's success over the last two years including \$137 million dollars of commercial and industrial investment and expansion/construction of 345,000 square feet; and
- WHEREAS, Carroll County continually works with developers and property owners to showcase and develop additional commercial/industrial property investment.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE BOARD OF CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2024, through October 25, 2024, as

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in Carroll County, Maryland and ask all to join us in recognizing and reaffirming the importance of business development locally and statewide during this celebration.

Adopted this 17th of October, 2024

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

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