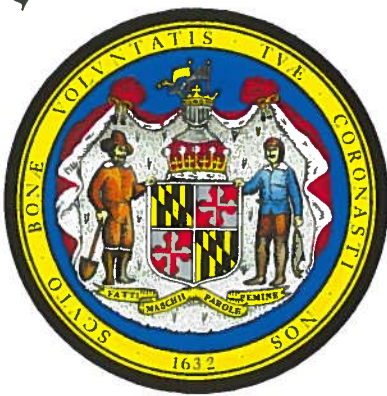


# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### ALZHEIMER'S & BRAIN AWARENESS MONTH JUNE 2016

- WHEREAS,** *Alzheimer's disease, a progressive neurodegenerative brain disorder, tragically robs individuals of their memories and leads to progressive mental and physical impairments; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Alzheimer's is the 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the United States and is the only cause of death in the top ten that has no cure, no treatment, and no way to slow its progression; and*
- WHEREAS,** *More than five million people in the United States are living with Alzheimer's including approximately 100,000 in Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *There are more than 291,000 dedicated caregivers who provide unpaid care at home in our State valued at more than \$4 billion; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Researchers in Maryland and around the world continue their efforts to develop scientific discoveries that could one day bring about a world without Alzheimer's disease; and*
- WHEREAS,** *With early detection and diagnosis, individuals and their families can gain access to treatment medications, enroll in critical research trials, fully participate in planning for the future, and receive help and support from the Alzheimer's Association; and*
- WHEREAS,** *There is a need to raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and to honor all the caregivers who support and care for loved ones with Alzheimer's disease.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim JUNE 2016 as ALZHEIMER'S & BRAIN AWARENESS MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens to join in honoring all Maryland families affected by Alzheimer's disease.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 1st day of June  
Two Thousand and sixteen

*Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.*  
Governor

*Robert K. Lathrop*  
Lt. Governor

*John C. Winkler*  
Secretary of State