

PROCLAMATION TEMPLATE

Whereas, the *(your name)* Office 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, encourages partnerships and networking among people committed to bringing jobs and capital to Maryland, and promotes economic development as an investment in Maryland; and

Whereas, MEDA members promote the economic well-being of Maryland by working to improve the State's business climate and the professionalism of those in the field of economic development, including other professionals with an interest in the economy of Maryland, and through its regular meetings, special programs, and projects, members address diverse issues; and

Whereas, the economic growth and stability of the State affects all regions and jurisdictions of Maryland, and *(your name)* is an important component of the State's economic success, *[and will highlight those successes by {hosting XX event; recognizing important projects; visiting local businesses; whatever any type of local event may be} – or, if you opt for a proclamation only, delete the part in []]*.

Now, Therefore, the *(governing board)* of *(your community)*, Maryland hereby proclaims the week of October 25-29, 2021 as Economic Development Week in Maryland.

Economic Development Week in Maryland will highlight the investment in partnerships that strengthen our competitiveness in *(your name)*, and asks all to join with us to recognize and reaffirm the importance of business development locally and statewide.