

WHEREAS, the Allegany County Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) is an active member of the Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA); and

WHEREAS, in partnership with MEDA, the DECD works to enhance the business climate in Allegany County; and

WHEREAS, the DECD works to retain and grow existing businesses and to attract new entities as well as workforce development initiatives. These actions lead to an increase in the tax base and enhance the quality of life in Allegany County; and

WHEREAS, WebstaurantStore, an E-commerce restaurant supply distributor, is an example of economic development in Allegany County this year. WebstaurantStore located in a 525,000 square-foot building in the North Branch Industrial Park in January 2015. Now employing 415, WebstaurantStore acquired Sierra Hygiene in April 2021 at Frostburg Business Park and is partnering with Allegany County to expand the facility, leading to growth in employment and production.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County, Maryland, hereby proclaim the week of October 25 - 29, 2021 as

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in Allegany County. We ask all to join with us to recognize and reaffirm the value and importance of economic development local, regionally, and statewide.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of Allegany County to be affixed this 21st day of October in the year two thousand twentyone.



President Jacob C. Shade

Commissioner Creade V. Brodie, Jr.

Commissioner David J. Caporale