

WHEREAS, the economic growth and stability of the State affects all regions and jurisdictions of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville is a vital component of Maryland's economic success, representing over 9,500 businesses and 72,000 employees in a wide variety of for-profit and non-profit sectors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville supports economic success through investments in infrastructure, parks, housing, planning and other high-quality-of-life features that are central to a good climate for business; and

WHEREAS, Rockville Economic Development, Inc. (REDI), a non-profit organization formed in 1997 by the City of Rockville to proactively support existing industry and attract new businesses, is an active member of the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) and the Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA), a non-profit organization that promotes economic development as an investment in Maryland and Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, MEDA members promote the economic well-being of Maryland by collaboratively working to improve the State's business climate and the professionalism of those working in the field of economic development in the State; and

WHEREAS, REDI shall highlight successful business retention, expansion and attraction efforts, and key economic development partners and stakeholders, during the week of October 25-29, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, that the Mayor & Council hereby proclaim the week of October 25-29, 2021, to be Economic Development Week in the City of Rockville, in recognition of the importance of economic development and its role in supporting the business community, creating new and dynamic opportunities for residents and visitors, and enhancing the fiscal health of the city.



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