PROCLAMATION

THE CITY OF CRISFIELD PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 23-27, 2023, AS "ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK"

WHEREAS, the City of Crisfield, Maryland 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 promotes economic development as an investment in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, MEDA members address diverse issues, and 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 an interest in the economy of Maryland, and through its regular meetings, special programs and projects, and its annual conferences like the one being held today on October 25, 2023 at the Antrim 1844 in Carroll County, MD and the theme being *Innovations in Manufacturing*, of which this City's business development staff is in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the great State of Maryland boasts thriving agriculture, tourism, aquaculture/seafood, and manufacturing industries that ranges from value-added agricultural to advanced biopharmaceutical manufacturing, and

WHEREAS, the economic growth and stability of the State affect all regions and jurisdictions of Maryland, and the City of Crisfield, Maryland is an important component of the State's economic success.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Crisfield, Maryland do hereby proclaim the week of October 23-27, 2023, as **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN MARYLAND**, and ask all to join with us to recognize and reaffirm the importance of business development locally and statewide.

As Witness Our Hand and Seal this 25th Day of October, 2023. Ivan Lankford, Council Vice Darlene Taylor, Mayor President Casey Goldsborough, Councilman Eric Banks, Councilman Buthe L. Dodd Ruthie L. Todd, Councilwoman La Verne Johnson, Councilwoman