## Proclamation

## Economic Development Week October 20, 2025 – October 24, 2025

- WHEREAS, Carroll County Economic Development promotes business attraction, retention, and expansion, including agriculture, small business start-up, tourism, and workforce development for our businesses and citizens; and
- WHEREAS, economic development leads to job creation, increased tax revenue, improved infrastructure, and adds to the quality of life in our communities; and
- WHEREAS, the county values the many businesses that call Carroll home, along with the over 96,000 workers that contribute to our local and regional economies, and celebrates a diverse and stable business base, including a growing agricultural sector, health industries, construction trades, information and technology firms, and thriving manufacturers that produce food, aerospace, wood, mechanical, and defense products; and
- WHEREAS, we celebrate Carroll County Economic Development's success, including \$134 million dollars of commercial and industrial investment and expansion/construction of 191,000 square feet; and
- WHEREAS, Carroll County continually works with developers and property owners to showcase and develop additional commercial/industrial property investment with an expected land development investment of \$533 million dollars and an additional 2.1 million square feet of commercial/industrial space; and
- WHEREAS Carroll County brings together town, education, and community stakeholders to advance and celebrate business success and community growth; and
- WHEREAS Carroll County 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, encourage partnerships and networking among people committed to bringing jobs and capital to Maryland, and promote economic development as an investment in Maryland; and
- WHEREAS MEDA members 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 a direct interest in the economy of Maryland—through its regular educational meetings, special programs, and community-driven projects; and
- WHEREAS the economic growth and stability of Maryland affects all regions and jurisdictions of the state, and Carroll County is an important component of the state's economic success.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2025, through October 24, 2025, as

## **Economic Development Week**

in Carroll County, Maryland and ask all to join us in recognizing and reaffirming the importance of business development locally and statewide during this celebration.

Adopted this 23rd day of October, 2025

THE BOARD OF CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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