The State of Maryland

Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
MAY 13, 2017

WHEREAS, University of Maryland University College (UMUC) was founded in 1947 to serve the higher education needs of adult learners outside of the College Park campus, many of whom were veterans returning from World War II; and

WHEREAS, In 1949, UMUC became the first institution of higher education in America to send faculty overseas to teach college courses to active-duty service members; and

WHEREAS, UMUC is Maryland’s open university, serving working adults, military servicemen and servicewomen and their families, and veterans who reside in Maryland, across the United States, and around the world; and

WHEREAS, UMUC is today a world leader in innovative educational models, with award-winning online programs in disciplines including biotechnology, cybersecurity, data analytics, and information technology that are in high demand in the increasingly technical, global workplace; and

WHEREAS, UMUC faculty comprise scholar-practitioners who have distinguished themselves in their fields as well as in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 70 years, UMUC has made the dream of a degree a reality for more than 206,000 graduates.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 13, 2017 as a special day to honor the UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE - 70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
the 11th day of May, Two Thousand and seventeen.

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Governor

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Lt. Governor

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Secretary of State