## STATE OF MARPIANA



## Proclamation

## GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE RESULT OF THE ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 8, 2022, FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Maryland at its Regular Session enacted Chapter 82 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, (Ch. 82 of the 2021 Legislative Session), Court of Appeals and Special Appeals - Renaming; and Chapter 808 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, (Ch. 808 of 2021 Legislative Session), Legislative Department - Eligibility to Serve as Senators and Delegates - Place of Abode; and Chapter 809 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, (Ch. 809 of 2021 Legislative Session), Civil Jury Trials; and Chapter 45 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022, (Ch. 45 of the 2022 Legislative Session), Cannabis - Legalization of Adult Use and Possession; and Chapter 539 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022, (Ch. 539 of the 2022 Legislative Session), Circuit Court for Howard County- Judges Sitting as Orphans' Court proposing amendments to the Constitution of Maryland;

WHEREAS, The General Assembly also determined that Chapter 539 is proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution that affects only one county and that the provisions of Article XIV, § 1 of the Maryland Constitution concerning local approval of constitutional amendments apply.

WHEREAS, The above recited Acts and Article of the Constitution, provide for the submission of the amendments to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection, at the election held on November 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 539 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022 provide for the submission of the amendment to the legal and qualified voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection, at the election held on November 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Acts were submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State during that election and from the certified copies of the returns of the election were as follows:

As to Chapter 82 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021 relating to (Ch. 82 of the 2021 Legislative Session), Court of Appeals and Special Appeals - Renaming (Question No. 1): 1,340,952 votes were cast for the adoption, and 447,252 votes were cast against the adoption; and

As to Chapter 808 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021 relating to (Ch. 808 of 2021 Legislative Session), Legislative Department - Eligibility to Serve as Senators and Delegates - Place of Abode (Question No. 2): 1,684,519 votes were cast for the adoption, and 183,099 votes were cast against the adoption; and

As to Chapter 809 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021 relating to (Ch. 809 of 2021 Legislative Session), Civil Jury Trials (Question No. 3): 1,132,822 votes were cast for the adoption, and 679,451 votes were cast against the adoption; and

As to Chapter 45 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022 relating to (Ch. 45 of the 2022 Legislative Session), Cannabis - Legalization of Adult Use and Possession (Question No. 4): 1,302,161 votes were cast for the adoption, and 635,572 votes were cast against the adoption; and

As to Chapter 539 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022 relating to (Ch. 539 of the 2022 Legislative Session), Circuit Court for Howard County- Judges Sitting as Orphans' Court (Question No 5): statewide 1,062,187 votes were cast for the adoption, and 528,000 votes were cast against the adoption; and in Howard County 69,863 votes were cast for the adoption, and 43,503 votes were cast against the adoption; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN. JR., GOVERNOR, pursuant to Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution of Maryland, do, by this Proclamation, declare and proclaim that Chapter 82 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, and Chapter 808 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, and Chapter 809 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021, and Chapter 45 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022, having received the majority of votes cast for the adoption, shall become parts of the Constitution of the State of Maryland; and Chapter 539 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022, having received the majority of votes cast for the adoption statewide and by the voters of Howard County, shall become parts of the Constitution of the State of Maryland.

> GIVEN Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, in the City of Annapolis, this 14th day of December, 2022.

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

Governor

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