

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland
MARYLAND METRIC WEEK
OCTOBER 6, 2024

- WHEREAS,** *Maryland K-12 educators and education communities across the country observe National Metric Week to raise awareness about the metric system, its benefits, and its contribution to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The metric system, known as the International System of Units, is a universal decimal-based measurement system developed to harmonize essential measurements that underpin science and technology; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The metric system was legalized by the United States Congress in 1866 and declared the preferred system of weights and measures for Trade and Commerce;*
- WHEREAS,** *The development of the metric system as an international system has contributed to advances in global commerce, science, and technology; and*
- WHEREAS,** *National Metric Week draws attention to the educational and economic benefits of using the metric system; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Teaching the International System of Units proficiency is fundamental to an informed citizenry, strengthens careers and is a linchpin for the development of a world class U.S. workforce of the future.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim OCTOBER 6, 2024 as MARYLAND METRIC WEEK in Maryland, and do commend this observation to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 6th day of October
Two Thousand and twenty-four

Wes Moore
Governor

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Lt. Governor

Susan C. Lee
Secretary of State