

## Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

## NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH AUGUST 2022

WHEREAS, Hunting and shooting sports are part of the culture, history and tradition of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Increasing access to education and shooting sports improves safe and ethical public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Department of Natural Resources is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife, but also for teaching principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety and responsible firearm use; and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of thousands of Marylanders, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year;

WHEREAS, Sportsmen and women are conservation stewards that assist with teaching others about safeguarding our natural resources and enjoying them in a responsible and safe manner; and

WHEREAS, During the observance of National Shooting Sports Month organizations, businesses and others throughout our nation join in recognizing shooting sports activities enjoyed by millions of Americans and continue to support and promote a culture of responsibility and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim AUGUST 2022 as NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH in Maryland.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Food of the State of Maryland, this day of

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