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Carroll County Proclaims November as Hire a Veteran Month

WESTMINSTER, MD, Thursday, November 8, 2018 – On Friday, November 2, 2018, the Carroll County Board of Commissioners (BOC) proclaimed November as "Hire a Veteran Month". The Commissioners made the announcement during their meeting with David Brinkley, who serves as Governor Larry Hogan's Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management.

The declaration comes on the heels of Governor Hogan signing a proclamation designating November as "Hire A Veteran" Month in Maryland. The BOC presented the formal proclamation to Secretary Brinkley to deliver to Governor Hogan. The month-long observance will raise awareness of veterans' skills and how they can benefit private industry. The Carroll County proclamation includes the following wording:

Whereas, the United States Armed Forces play a decisive role in our past and our future. The freedoms we hold as Americans are preserved by men and women who, when called upon, defend our nation's security at home and abroad; and whereas, currently there are over 20 million veterans in the United States. Throughout our history over 1 million service men and women made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives in service to our country, our values, our freedoms; and whereas, the State of Maryland is home to 380,000 veterans with 13,000 living in Carroll County; and whereas, Carroll County is dedicated to those who bravely served the United States, developing a number of services targeted solely to veterans like the Veteran's Advisory Council, the Carroll County Veterans Transportation Shuttle, Veterans Services Program of Carroll County and priority services through the Business Employment Resource Center (BERC); and whereas, in a message to Congress in 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt said "What our service men and women want, more than anything else, is the assurance of satisfactory employment upon their return to civil life". In 1944, President Roosevelt signed the G. I. Bill into law and acknowledged the sacrifices of America's men and women in uniform and emphasized the moral responsibility of the American people not to let their veterans down once they returned to civilian life; and whereas, veterans receive significant training and possess many transferable skills. They bring to the workplace the skills, education, leadership, maturity and dedication they learned in their military service.

For more information about Maryland's veteran-focused workforce development programs, please visit the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Veteran Services.

(http://www.dllr.state.md.us/employment/veteranservices.shtml)

To learn more about Carroll County Veterans' services, please visit http://carrollworks.com/job-seeker-services/ and http://www.carrollveterans.com/

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