



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2025-38

### National Correctional Officers Appreciation Week

**WHEREAS**, in 1984, President Ronald Reagan, proclaimed the week in May as National Correctional Officers Week since he recognized the inherent struggles Correctional Officers face daily; and

**WHEREAS**, Correctional Officers are dedicated to protecting offenders while promoting positive behavior, attitudes, and skills which will improve the offenders' chances of becoming productive members of society when they are released from custody; and

**WHEREAS**, Correctional Officers are capable, committed, patient and persistent professionals who serve admirably in correctional facilities across the country to teach, train, mentor, preach and cure; and

**WHEREAS**, the duties of these officers have become increasingly complex and demanding as the profession continues to evolve especially considering the public health crises of increased mental health disease and opioid addiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the professionalism, dedication and courage exhibited by these officers throughout the performance of their demanding roles deserve our utmost respect; and

**WHEREAS**, Correctional Officers' Week offers an opportunity to acknowledge and honor Charles County Correctional Officers for the important work they perform each day, and the sacrifices they make to protect all residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2025, as **National Correctional Officers Appreciation Week** in Charles County, and commend them for the exceptional performance of duties under the most difficult circumstances.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

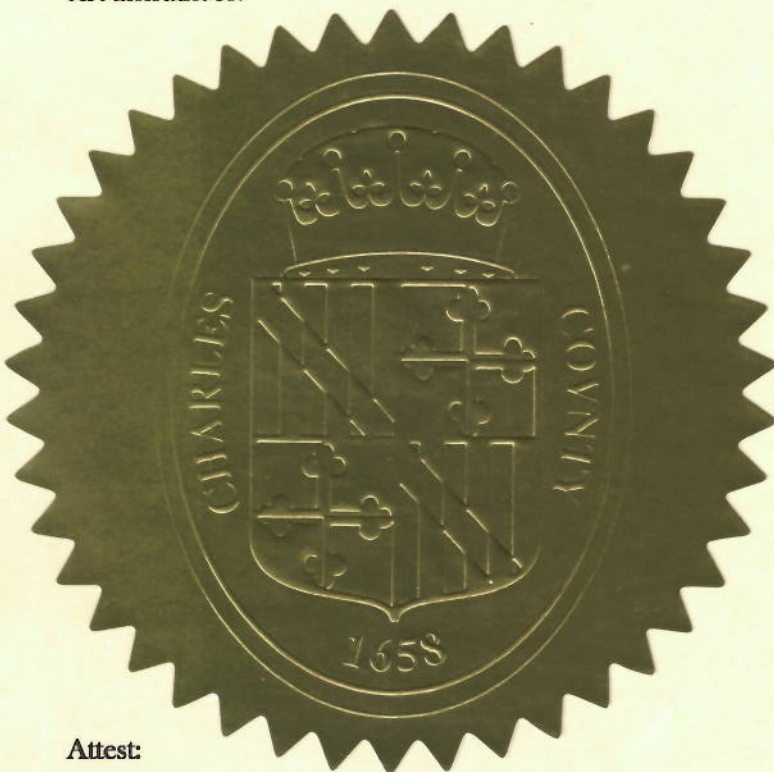
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