



County Commissioners of Charles County

PROCLAMATION 2025-49

Caribbean American Heritage Month

WHEREAS, the Caribbean region is a diverse group of nations and cultures; and

WHEREAS, since the early 19th century, individuals of Caribbean descent migrated to the United States and played vital roles in the fight for freedom, justice, equality, equity and their contributions have shaped and enriched the American society; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the United States Congress officially recognized June as Caribbean American Heritage month, a month-long observance that promotes the rich culture and heritage of the Caribbean American people and their contributions; and

WHEREAS, the Caribbean American Heritage month provides meaningful opportunity for all residents to celebrate the history, culture, achievements and values of Caribbean Americans and reflect on the shared commitment to unity, perseverance and freedom; and

WHEREAS, Charles County is home to a vibrant and growing Caribbean American community and acknowledge the significant ways Americans with roots to the Caribbean have enriched our county as educators, community leaders, authors, athletes, and artists.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim June 2025 as **Caribbean Heritage Month** in Charles County and encourage all residents to recognize, honor, and celebrate the significant achievements and cultural legacy of Caribbean American in our County and beyond.



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