



Executive Department

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<u>Proclamation Convening the General Assembly of Maryland in</u> Extraordinary Session at Annapolis, Maryland on December 16, 2025

WHEREAS The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the Maryland House

of Delegates, stepped down from her role as Speaker on December 4,

2025;

WHEREAS Speaker Jones made history as the first African American and first

woman to serve as Speaker of the House, and she leaves a legacy of accomplishments that touches the lives of nearly every Marylander;

WHEREAS Speaker Jones has served in the House of Delegates for nearly 30

years representing the residents of District 10 in Baltimore County, and serving the entire State of Maryland as Speaker since 2019; and

WHEREAS The House of Delegates, in accordance with its rules, must elect a

new speaker to succeed Speaker Jones.

NOW THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND,

BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY

ARTICLE II, SECTION 16, OF THE MARYLAND

CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY

PROCLAIM AND CONVENE A SPECIAL AND

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND TO COMMENCE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025, IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS TO ENABLE THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES TO ELECT A NEW SPEAKER.

GIVEN Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, in the City of Annapolis, this 9th Day of December 2025.

Wes Moore

Governor



ATTEST:

Susan C. Lee

Secretary of State