



Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs 2nd Quarterly Meeting

*Thursday, May 7, 2026
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

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Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Procedural Reminders:**
Mona Kishore, Chair, Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
- II. Opening Remarks:**
Mona Kishore, Chair, Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
Gregory Yancey, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office of Community Initiatives
- III. Adoption of the Agenda:**
- IV. Approval of the Minutes 02/12/2026 SPS II and 03/09/2026 SCM:**
- V. Committees:**
 - a. Education & Health** – *Commissioner Ayesha Gulistan*
 - b. Local Engagement & Inclusion** – *Vice Chair Ala'a Wafa*
- VI. Working Groups:**
 - a. Partnership & Focus Groups**
 - b. Event Planning**
 - I. Maryland 250 Planning – Annapolis Orchestra** (*Commissioner Ammar Abdulhamid*)
 - II. Maryland 250 Planning – Peace Walk** (*COS Greg Yancey*)
 - III. Maryland 250 Planning – International Music Festival** – (*Chair Mona Kishore and Commissioner Rabbi Susan Grossman*)
 - IV. Maryland 250 Planning - Multicultural Celebration with Commissions** – (*COS Greg Yancey*)
 - c. Strategic Planning**
 - d. Communication & Legislation**
 - I. Updates on the bill signing for HB661 & SB308.**
 - II. Creating a working group for a celebration for Muslim American Heritage Month and Jewish American Heritage Month**
 - e. Interfaith Program**
- VII. New Business:**
 - I. Diyanet Turkish Mosque Commission Gathering** – *Commissioner Gunay Evinch*
- VIII. Adjournment:**

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