



***Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
4th Quarterly Meeting***

*Thursday, October 15, 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 and Chair Transition:**
Mona Kishore, Chair, Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
Dr. Antwan Brown, Administrative Director, Governor's Office of Community Initiatives
- III. Adoption of the Agenda: - Vice Chair Ala'a Wafa**
- IV. Approval of the Minutes 07/16/2026 3rd Qtr.: - Vice Chair Ala'a Wafa**
- V. Committees:**
 - a. Education & Health – Commissioner Ayesha Gulistan**
 - b. Local Engagement & Inclusion – Vice Chair Ala'a Wafa**
- VI. Working Groups:**
 - a. Event Planning**
 - ❖ **Maryland 250 Planning – International Music Festival – Chair Mona Kishore**
 - ❖ **Maryland 250 Planning - Multicultural Celebration with Commissions – Dr. Antwan Brown**
 - ❖ **Muslim & Jewish American Heritage Month Celebration – Commissioner Dr. Susan Grossman**
 - b. Strategic Planning**
 - c. Legislation**
 - d. Interfaith Program**
- VII. New Business:**
 - a. Discussion and Vote on HB1642: Higher Education-Transformative Economic Efficiency-Framework and Standards – Commissioner Ayesha Gulistan**
- VIII. Adjournment:**