

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH AUGUST 2021

- WHEREAS,** *Hunting and shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Increasing access to education and shooting sports improves safe and ethical public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The Maryland Department of Natural Resources is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife but also for teaching principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety and responsible firearm use; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Hundreds of thousands of Marylanders, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Sportsmen and women are conservation stewards that assist with teaching others about safeguarding our natural resources and enjoying them in a responsible and safe manner; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Outdoor recreation and related industries contribute millions of dollars to Maryland's economy and support job creation.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim AUGUST 2021 as NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH in Maryland.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of August
Two Thousand and twenty-one

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Byrd H. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. Waberski
Secretary of State