

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK NOVEMBER 16-20, 2009

WHEREAS, *The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 16-20, 2009 as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation's peace and prosperity; and*

WHEREAS, *By participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures and are more prepared for a global environment; and*

WHEREAS, *We live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security*

WHEREAS, *The citizens and institutions of Maryland are urged to participate in celebrating this week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives and communities.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 16-20, 2009 as INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,

this **16th** day of **November**
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Handwritten signature of Martin O'Malley in cursive.
Governor

Handwritten signature of Robert Ehrlich in cursive.
Lt. Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe C. McQuinn in cursive.
Secretary of State