



Proclamation

Montgomery County Maryland

WHEREAS, on December 10, 1948, the General Assembly of the United Nations approved the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, declaring that "recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world;" and

WHEREAS, this year represents the 76th Anniversary of helping the entire world remember that the basic human rights addressed in the Universal Declaration include economic, social, and cultural rights as well as civil and political rights; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now" We believe every resident of Montgomery County has a role and responsibility in advancing human rights as a basic core value of our community. We seek always to challenge and overcome the crippling effects of injustice, growing inequalities and structural and entrenched racism. In doing so we uplift our common humanity and remind ourselves of the unity in our purpose; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Government; its Office of Human Rights, its Human Rights Commission and its Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice; along with numerous communities, civic, religious and nonprofit organizations, have a commitment to ensure equal rights and protections under the law and fair and equitable treatment for all residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Marc Elrich, as County Executive, and Kate Stewart, as Council President of Montgomery County, Maryland, hereby proclaim December 10, 2024 as

HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

and encourage all residents to join us in our active pursuit of "inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family" here in Montgomery County and beyond.



Signed this 10th day of December in the year 2024

MARC ELRICH
County Executive

KATE STEWART
Council President