

## Aroclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DAY FEBRUARY 1, 2025

WHEREAS, Nationally, one in seven people has unclaimed property and \$4.5 billion was returned by states in fiscal year 2024; and

The Maryland State Comptroller's Unclaimed Property Division returned \$60 million to rightful owners and heirs WHEREAS,

during the 2024 fiscal year; and

For more than five decades, the State has diligently received and safeguarded forgotten funds encompassing uncashed WHEREAS,

checks, insurance proceeds, forgotten dividends, and various financial accounts abandoned due to lost contact with

their rightful owners; and

WHEREAS. Finding unclaimed property is easier than ever, with a simple and free search available on the Comptroller's website,

where one can easily file a claim and potentially reclaim lost funds; and

WHEREAS. This day highlights the Comptroller's commitment to reuniting citizens with their lost or forgotten assets; and

WHEREAS, Citizens are encouraged to take advantage of this free service, to utilize the State's website to check for unclaimed property under their name, to widely share information about reuniting with unclaimed property, and to celebrate good

stewardship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim FEBRUARY 1, 2025 as UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DAY in Maryland, and do commend this observation to all of our citizens.



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

this day of

Two Thousand and twenty-five

Susan C. Lean

Secretary of State