

**IN RECOGNITION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH
MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO**

WHEREAS, the Town of Upper Marlboro recognizes Black History Month as a time to honor and celebrate the rich history, culture, achievements, and enduring contributions of African Americans to the social, economic, political, and cultural fabric of our community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, African Americans have played a vital role in shaping the history of Upper Marlboro, Prince George's County, and the State of Maryland through leadership, service, resilience, innovation, and advocacy for justice and equality; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month provides an opportunity to reflect on the struggles and triumphs of African Americans, to acknowledge the legacy of those who paved the way for progress, and to inspire future generations to continue advancing equity, opportunity, and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Upper Marlboro is committed to fostering an inclusive and welcoming community that values diversity, promotes mutual respect, and ensures that the voices and experiences of all residents are recognized and celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the Town takes pride in its continued progress and the leadership of its elected officials in supporting diversity, inclusion, and community engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Mayor Colbert, Mayor of the Town of Upper Marlboro, do hereby proclaim the month of February as Black History Month in the Town of Upper Marlboro, and encourage all residents to observe this month by learning about, honoring, and celebrating the profound contributions of African Americans to our community and our nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Upper Marlboro to be affixed this 10th day of February, 2026.

ATTEST:

Charles Colbert, Mayor

Derrick Brooks, Vice Mayor