

# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

**NATIONAL GIS DAY  
NOVEMBER 19, 2008**

- WHEREAS,** *Geographic Information Systems (GIS) contribute key elements for conserving natural resources, enhancing public safety, improving education, fostering a robust economy and making fiscally responsible decisions for the citizens of Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *GIS provides government managers with powerful tools for better analysis and decision making; and*
- WHEREAS,** *GIS enables public safety personnel to effectively plan for emergency response, determine mitigation priorities, analyze historical events, and predict future events; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland's public and private sectors are working together to more effectively create GIS data and streamline operations.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 19, 2008 as NATIONAL GIS DAY in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 19th day of November  
Two Thousand and eight

*Martin O'Malley*  
Governor  
*Robert Ehrlich*  
Lt. Governor  
*Joe C. McPherson*  
Secretary of State