



A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Executive for Prince George's County, Maryland, wishes to recognize June as Flood Awareness Month to highlight the importance of flood awareness and preparedness; and

WHEREAS, June marks the beginning of hurricane season and brings severe weather conditions during this time, which can cause flooding, threaten lives, and damage property; and

WHEREAS, the Department of the Environment (DoE) is committed to helping County residents and business owners protect their homes, buildings, and personal belongings in the event of flooding, and to be flood ready, flood smart, and flood safe; and

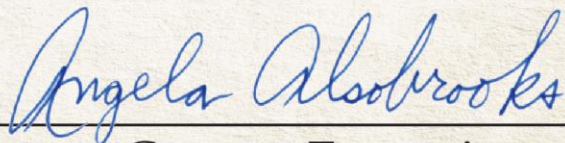
WHEREAS, floods are the nation's most common and costly natural disaster, occurring in all 50 states, and even those living miles away from water can be affected. Understanding flood risk is crucial, including identifying flood-prone areas, knowing community warning signals, evacuation routes, and emergency shelter locations, and recognizing flood evacuation routes; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County is proactively addressing flooding issues through a comprehensive flood damage reduction strategy, which involves developing a long-term flood reduction program, evaluating and implementing flood mitigation alternatives, and designing solutions for the most severely affected areas; and

WHEREAS, the County is seeking federal and state grants to support these initiatives and in addition to these structural measures, the County is enhancing public safety through education programs, flood warning systems, and flood proofing or acquiring the most flood-prone homes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANGELA ALSOBROOKS, COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2024 as Flood Awareness Month in Prince George's County. I urge all residents to educate themselves about flood risks, take necessary precautions to protect their homes and families, and actively participate in community efforts to mitigate flood damage and enhance public safety. **FURTHER**, I commend the Department of the Environment and all involved agencies for their dedicated efforts in addressing flood issues and promoting a safer and more resilient Prince George's County.




County Executive