

## County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2023-67

## **CAR FREE DAY**

WHEREAS, Car Free Day is a worldwide event that encourages greener methods of travel; meaning ways to get around other than driving alone by car; and

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board is the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Washington, DC region; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Planning Board through its Commuter Connections program organizes and promotes the annual Car Free Day event along with its jurisdictional network members throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Car Free benefits the National Capital Region through improved air quality, mobility, energy conservation, and reduced parking demands; and

WHEREAS, Commuter Connections hosts Car Free Day in the Washington, DC region to bring awareness to the benefits of travel options such as transit, bicycling and walking; and also telework for people who can work from home. Carpooling and vanpooling count too, we call that "car-lite" since they are both lighter on the wallet and the environment than driving alone in a car.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim September 22, 2023 as CAR FREE DAY in Charles County and encourage citizens to pledge to be Car Free or Car-lite.



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