

County Commissioners of Charles County

PROCLAMATION 2022-22

Archaeology Month

WHEREAS, archaeology seeks to understand cultural change through time with the use of scientific methods to study materials left by former inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, Charles County has a rich history and heritage, exemplified by the County's historic buildings, cultural landmarks, natural features, and local rituals that represent the experiences and values of those who built the foundation on which the County stands; and

WHEREAS, Charles County is enhanced by the strong network of historic preservation associations, groups, professionals and volunteers who donate countless hours and dollars in service to a shared mission of preserving the history of Charles County for the benefit of residents, students, visitors, historians, and all interested in the County's remarkable heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Charles County Archaeological Society of Maryland, Inc., was established to promote, support, encourage and engage in archaeology through study, investigation, preservation, and publication which provide unique and irreplaceable links to the past; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Maryland Archaeology Month for 2022 is "The Future of Studying the Past: Innovative Technologies in Maryland Archeology." A number of these technologies including geophysical surveys are being used on Charles County sites to learn more about the rich history and heritage of our County; and

WHEREAS, Charles County celebrates the partnerships of the Archaeological Society of Maryland and the Maryland Historical Trust for the fifty field sessions in Maryland which includes five in Charles County at the three locations, Popes Creek, Chapel Point and Port Tobacco.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2022 as Archaeology Month in Charles County, and encourage all residents to experience and enjoy cultural resources within Charles County and throughout the State of Maryland.

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