



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2024-10

### Unclaimed Property Day

**WHEREAS**, nationally, one in seven people have unclaimed property and more than five billion dollars is returned to the states annually; and

**Whereas**, the Maryland State Comptroller's Unclaimed Property Division has achieved remarkable success in 2023, bringing in three hundred fifteen million for unclaimed property from businesses and organizations and returning eighty one million to rightful owners; and

**Whereas**, the State of Maryland has diligently received and safeguarded forgotten funds including uncashed checks, insurance proceeds, forgotten dividends and various financial accounts abandoned due to lost contact with their rightful owners for over five decades; and

**Whereas**, finding unclaimed property is easier than ever, with a simple and free search available on the State of Maryland's website at [Unclaimed Property \(marylandtaxes.gov\)](https://www.marylandtaxes.gov), where one can easily file a claim and potentially reclaim lost funds; and

**Whereas**, this day highlights the unwavering commitment to reuniting citizens with their lost or forgotten assets.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND** do hereby proclaim February 1, 2024 as **Unclaimed Property Day** in Charles County and urge all residents to take advantage of this free service and utilize the State's website to check for unclaimed property under their name as well as share this information with their families, friends and neighbors to raise awareness of this program to ensure more Marylanders are reunited with their unclaimed property and celebrate the power of good stewardship.



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