

PROCLAMATION
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND
PROCLAIMING JUNE 3-9, 2018, AS CHESAPEAKE BAY AWARENESS WEEK
IN THE CITY OF BOWIE

WHEREAS, the Chesapeake Bay is the largest and was once the most productive estuary in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Chesapeake Bay stretches 200 miles from Havre de Grace, Maryland, to Norfolk, Virginia, with an average depth of 21 feet and a width between 3.4 and 35 miles, supporting more than 3,600 species of plant and animal life; and

WHEREAS, the Chesapeake Bay Watershed drains more than 64,000 square miles of land stretching from New York to Virginia and is home to more than 17 million people; and

WHEREAS, the City has more than 50 miles of stream leading to the Chesapeake Bay and has several initiatives to improve the water quality of those streams; and

WHEREAS, the City understands the environmental, educational, recreational, and economic importance of this vital resource, and acknowledges its integral role in the history of the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland State Legislature, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and the States of Pennsylvania and Virginia have recognized the importance of Chesapeake Bay Week Awareness Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland hereby proclaims the week of June 3-9, 2018 as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week in the City of Bowie and urges all residents to discover the many connections between the City and the Bay.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on the Fourth Day of June 2018.

G. Frederick Robinson, Mayor

Attest:

Awilda Hernandez, City Clerk