

## **AFFIRMATION**

As Chesapeake Bay Program partners, we recognize the need to accelerate implementation of actions necessary to achieve the goals and outcomes outlined herein and realize our shared vision of a healthy and vibrant Chesapeake Bay watershed.

As Chesapeake Bay Program partners, we acknowledge that this agreement is voluntary and subject to the availability of appropriated funds. This agreement is not a contract or an assistance agreement. We also understand that this agreement does not pre-empt, supersede or override any other law or regulation applicable to each signatory.

We the undersigned members of the Chesapeake Executive Council, reaffirm our commitment to support the goals of this Agreement and to work cooperatively in its implementation. We agree to work both independently and collaboratively toward the goals and outcomes of this Agreement and to implement specific management strategies to achieve them. Every citizen of this great watershed is invited to join with the Partnership, unite as a region and embrace the actions that will lead to success.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For the Chesapeake Bay Commission

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For the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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For the Commonwealth of Virginia

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For the District of Columbia

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For the State of Delaware

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For the State of New York

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For the State of West Virginia

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For the United States of America,

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On behalf of the Federal Leadership Committee:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Commerce

U.S. Department of Defense

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of the Interior

U.S. Department of Transportation