



## Executive Department

## **PROCLAMATION**

## Governor's Proclamation Declaring the Result of the Election of November 6, 2012 Regarding Tuition Rates at Public Institutions of Higher Education

WHEREAS,

The General Assembly of Maryland at its Regular Session of 2011 enacted Chapter 191, "Public Institutions of Higher Education – Tuition Rates – Exemptions" establishing, among other things, that individuals, including undocumented immigrants, are eligible to pay in-state tuition rates at community colleges in Maryland, provided the student meets certain conditions relating to attendance and graduation from a Maryland high school, filing of income taxes, intent to apply for permanent residency, and registration with the selective service system (if required), and making such students eligible to pay in-state tuition rates at a four-year public college or university if the student has first completed 60 credit hours or graduated from a community college in Maryland;

WHEREAS.

A valid referendum petition was submitted against the above recited Act under Article XVI of the Constitution of Maryland, providing for the submission of the Act to the registered voters of the State for its adoption or rejection, at the election held on November 6, 2012; and

WHEREAS,

The Act was submitted to the registered voters of the State during that election and from the certified copies of the returns of the election:

As to Chapter 191 (Question No. 4): 1,521,579 votes were cast "For the Referred Law" and 1,063,228 votes were cast "Against the Referred Law";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 OF ARTICLE XVI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, DO, BY THIS PROCLAMATION, DECLARE AND PROCLAIM THAT A MAJORITY OF VOTES WERE CAST IN FAVOR OF THE ACT, AND THEREFORE, THE ACT HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF MARYLAND AND WILL TAKE EFFECT ON DECEMBER 6, 2012.

GIVEN Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, in the City of Annapolis, this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2012.



Martin O'Malley

John McDonovgh Secretary of State

Governor

ATTEST:

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