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Comptroller Franchot Responds to Governor's COVID-19 Update

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (June 10, 2020) - Maryland Comptroller Peter Franchot today released the statement below following Governor Larry Hogan's COVID-19 Update on Maryland's Roadmap to Recovery:

"I commend Governor Hogan's announcement that more local businesses across our state, including restaurants, outdoor amusement locations and fitness centers, will now be permitted to reopen in a limited and responsible manner over the next two weeks.

"The Governor's decision strikes the appropriate balance between rebuilding Maryland's economy and exercising all of the best practices that are necessary to safeguard public health.

"Working together, we can open with care and help Maryland's small business recover from the devastation caused by this pandemic. They have been, and shall remain, the cornerstone of Maryland's economy and it is imperative that policymakers at every level of government do more to ensure their survival and success.

"In the coming days, it is imperative that we reopen child care services as much as possible and as quickly as possible in order to sustain vital small businesses and the jobs they create, and to provide the necessary support for Maryland's working families.

"It is my hope, as we proceed with the ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, that we will continue to exercise common sense and rely upon the best data available to inform our state's decisions concerning public health, safety and the Maryland economy."

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