# LEGAL HOLIDAYS

#### 1. Fixed

January 1

New Year's Day (Acts 1974, chap. 440) January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday February 12 (Acts 1947, chap. 729) Lincoln's Birthday Third Monday in February (Acts 1969, chap. 206) Washington's Birthday March 25 (Acts 1916, chap. 633) Maryland Day May 30 (Acts 1974, chap. 589) Memorial Day July 4 (Acts 1862, chap. 70) Independence Day September 12 (Acts 1908, chap. 181) Defenders' Day (Acts 1974, chap. 711) October 12

(Acts 1862, chap. 70)

(Acts 1974, chap. 589)

November 11
Armistice Day (Acts 1927, chap. 239)

December 25 (Acts 1862, chap. 70)

Christmas Day

Veterans' Day

Columbus Day

Should any of the dates listed above fall on a Sunday, the holiday is observed on the following Monday (Acts of 1882, chap. 23).

If any of the holidays enumerated should occur on Saturday, the Friday immediately preceding shall be deemed and treated as a holiday (Acts of 1970, chap. 359; Code 1957, Art. 13, sec. 13).

#### 2. Movable

The Friday before Easter Sunday (Acts 1882, chap. 23), Good Friday.

The first Monday in September (Acts 1916, chap. 633), Labor Day.

The fourth Thursday in November (Acts 1890, chap. 238), Thanksgiving Day.

All days of general and congressional Elections (Acts 1882, chap. 23).

Days of public thanksgiving, fasting, prayer, or

other religious observance proclaimed by the Governor (Acts 1862, chap. 70) or by the President of the United States (Acts of 1882, chap. 23).

The Governor may declare bank holidays in case of an emergency resulting from fire, flood, storms, snow, robbery, riot, or other causes (Acts of 1966, chap. 243).

## Saturdays

It is lawful for any banking institution to remain closed on any one or more or all Saturdays if this closing is authorized by resolution of its board of directors. Any Saturday on which such bank may remain closed shall constitute a legal holiday (Code 1957, Art. 13, sec. 10).

It is lawful for banks in Maryland to close their doors at twelve o'clock noon on every Saturday of the year. After twelve o'clock noon, Saturday is a legal holiday. This does not apply in Howard and Talbot counties (Code 1957, Art. 13, sec. 13).

### **Special Observances**

The General Assembly has authorized the Governor to proclaim special "Days" as follows:

February 16 (Res. No. 8, 1935) Republic of Lithuania Day

One day in April (Res. No. 7, 1884) Arbor Day

April 13 (Ch. 54, 1973) John Hanson Day

May 1 (Ch. 115, 1962) Law Day, U.S.A.

September 14 (Res. No. 11, 1964) National Anthem Day

September 17 (Res. No. 8, 1951) Constitution Day

October 11 (Res. No. 5, 1931) General Pulaski Memorial Day

October 15 (Ch. 19, 1951) Poetry Day

October 28 (Res. No. 3, 1935) Republic of Czechoslovakia Day

#### Frederick County Only

Repudiation Day: After twelve o'clock noon, November 23, is a legal bank half-holiday (Acts 1894, chap. 510).