

## EXECUTIVE ORDERS

BY ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1973 CUMULATIVE SUPPLEMENT, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 1 OF THE ACTS OF 1973, SECOND SPECIAL SESSION), AND PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15CD OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1973 CUMULATIVE SUPPLEMENT), DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND ISSUE THE FOLLOWING ORDER, EFFECTIVE 12:01 A.M., JANUARY 10, 1974:

The Executive Order of November 16, 1973, lowering the maximum speed limits on highways within the State, is hereby amended and re-promulgated as follows:

"1. Except where a lesser maximum speed limit is required by or established in accordance with Article 66-1/2 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, [fifty] FIFTY-FIVE miles per hour is declared to be the maximum lawful speed on the highways within the State; and, subject only to the exemptions and privileges otherwise granted by law to authorized emergency vehicles, no person shall operate a vehicle in excess of [fifty] FIFTY-FIVE miles per hour on any highway within the State.

"2. Pursuant to my authority, as aforesaid, to establish and implement standards for the conservation of energy resources, [fifty] FIFTY-FIVE miles per hour is declared to be the maximum reasonable speed for the purposes of Article 66-1/2, § 11-801(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and, any person operating a vehicle in excess of [fifty] FIFTY-FIVE miles per hour on any highway within the State shall be deemed to be operating such vehicle at a speed which is unreasonable within the meaning of Article 66-1/2, § 11-801(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

"3. Pursuant to my authority, as aforesaid, to modify existing standards and requirements affecting the use of energy resources, the standards and requirements set forth in the provisions of Article 66-1/2, §§ 11-801(b) (4), and 11-801(b) (5) of the Annotated Code of Maryland are hereby modified to establish [fifty] FIFTY-FIVE miles per hour as the maximum lawful speed on the respective highways described in said provisions.

"4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 66-1/2, §§ 11-801(c), 11-802 and 11-803 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, or of any other provisions of State or local law, no maximum speed limit may be established by any State or local