

April 27, 1977

Honorable Blair Lee, III
Lieutenant Governor of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Lieutenant Governor Lee:

It has been traditional to have several bill signings at intervals following adjournment of the regular session of the General Assembly. The volume of bills which must be acted upon necessitates this action. In addition, it is important that Emergency Bills passed by the General Assembly be acted upon expeditiously, since they take effect upon Gubernatorial approval.

Mr. Wilner has advised me that there are approximately 135 bills and Joint Resolutions, including some Emergency Bills, that have been reviewed by him and by the Attorney General, and are appropriate for signature. A list of these Bills and Resolutions is attached. Many of these bills should be signed before May 1, 1977, and I am advised that Friday, April 29, 1977, at about 4:30 p.m. is convenient for you, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, the President of the Senate, and other necessary parties to have a bill signing. Unfortunately, due to illness, I will be unable to perform the Constitutional duty to sign bills on that day.

In accordance with Article II, Section 6(b) of the Constitution of Maryland, I hereby notify you that I will be unable, because of my illness, to perform the particular duty of my office of signing bills on the attached list on Friday, April 29, 1977; and you shall therefore serve as Acting Governor for that purpose between 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on that day.

Sincerely,
Marvin Mandel
Governor

May 16, 1977

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