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### **MHA Joins Baltimore Mayor Scott, Students to Celebrate Maryland's Hospital Heroes**

**Elkridge, Md.** – National Hospital Week is celebrated May 9-15. During this weeklong event, Marylanders have an opportunity to show their appreciation for the dedicated hospital heroes who care for Maryland.

Over the past year, the state's hospitals have treated and released over 42,000 COVID-19 patients and provided testing and vaccinations for millions.

The Maryland Hospital Association is proud to partner this year with talented, local students to thank the state's hospital caregivers with a special hospital appreciation [video](#) (embargoed until Monday, May 10, at 5 a.m.). Featuring a performance of "Bridge Over Troubled Water" by the Morgan State University choir and a dance routine by Fatal Attraction Step Squad from Coach G Academy, the video also includes Hospital Week-themed artwork from students at the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA).

The incredible performances are introduced by Baltimore City Mayor Brandon Scott, who expresses his enormous gratitude for the hospital workers statewide who have cared for Maryland during the coronavirus pandemic.

"On behalf of the great City of Baltimore, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the 117,000 caregivers in hospitals across Maryland," Mayor Scott says. "Our selfless health care professionals work around the clock, risking their own health during COVID-19 to care and extend grace to others. As we celebrate National Hospital Week, I thank hospital workers for delivering compassion to those in need and exemplifying what it means to be a friend."

"Maryland's hospital heroes have demonstrated extraordinary strength and bravery on the frontlines in the fight against COVID-19," says Bob Atlas, President & CEO of the Maryland Hospital Association. "During National Hospital Week, we are proud to show our appreciation for the caregivers who deliver health, hope, and healing in their communities every day."

In addition to the video tribute, Wawa donated free hot drink coupons to hospital workers throughout the state.

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