

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

PARENTAL ALIENATION AWARENESS DAY

APRIL 25, 2008

- WHEREAS,** *Parental Alienation involves taking advantage of the suggestibility and dependency of children with the sole purpose of destroying a loving and warm relationship they once shared with a parent; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The destruction of family structure deprives our children of ongoing loving relationships. We encourage every state and local agency to work diligently at preserving family and family values; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Parental Alienation deprives children of their right to love and be loved by both parents; and*
- WHEREAS,** *With awareness comes education and understanding and the power to stop the detachment of innocent children who become victims of families destroyed.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim **APRIL 25, 2008** as **PARENTAL ALIENATION AWARENESS DAY** in Maryland and call upon the people of our state to join in supporting this observance.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 25th day of April
Two Thousand and eight

Martin O'Malley
Governor

Robert Ehrlich
Lt. Governor

Dennis Schaeffer
Secretary of State