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Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford
100 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Lieutenant Governor Rutherford:

The Healthy St. Mary's Partnership (HSMP) is a community-driven coalition of residents and organizations working together to improve health in St. Mary's County. HSMP mobilizes its members through four action teams to address priority health needs that impact our community, including: Access to Care, Behavioral Health, Healthy Eating & Active Living, and Tobacco Free Living. Each year, HSMP brings the members of these teams together for an Annual Meeting which provides the opportunity for participants to network, learn from public health experts and receive updates on local health improvement efforts.

This year, the HSMP Annual Meeting will take place on **Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center in California, Maryland. I would like to formally invite you to attend this event to learn more about the health needs facing our residents and our response as a community. The 2018 agenda features several distinguished speakers, presenting on topics such as the impact of the internet and digital technologies on health, harm reduction and the opioid crisis, the Sugar Free Kids initiative, medical cannabis in Maryland, and using communications and social media to engage youth.

Thank you for your partnership in improving local health. If you would like more information on the 2018 HSMP Annual Meeting, please visit: <http://healthystmarys.com/hsmpannual2018/> or feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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