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Jeffrey Murray Named Director of Calvert Marine Museum

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – June 28, 2019 – The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is pleased to announce the promotion of Jeffrey Murray to director of the Calvert Marine Museum (CMM). Murray has been with CMM since 2017, serving as the museum’s deputy director and education director. Murray’s appointment is effective July 8, 2019.

Murray has a Master of Arts in history and a museum career spanning over 20 years. As deputy director of CMM, Murray oversaw the second phase of the exhibition hall renovation program, a project that expanded and renewed the education department’s work, classroom and storage spaces on the building’s mezzanine level. He also directed the education department, was highly involved in the development of a new site master plan and wrote successful grants to support new programs and exhibits.

Murray replaces the current director, Sherrod Sturrock, who retires this month after 29 years of service to Calvert County Government. During his tenure at CMM, Murray received notable training and mentoring by Sturrock.

“Sherrod has been an excellent leader and director, and she will be sorely missed,” said BOCC President Tim Hutchins. “We are grateful for the significant work she has done to ensure

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Calvert Marine Museum is and remains a county treasure for many years to come and for the fact that Ms. Sturrock will continue to volunteer at the museum following her retirement this month.”

Sturrock began her career in Calvert County Government as the county’s capital projects coordinator. She was hired as deputy director of CMM in 2005 and promoted to director in 2016. During her tenure at the museum, she initiated First Free Fridays, the Solomons Maritime Festival and the Maritime Performance Series, and expanded the museum’s education department program offerings and participation. Sturrock oversaw the Discovery Room redesign, creation of the museum’s estuarine biology exhibit, “River to Bay,” the opening of the Benning Education Center and the museum’s designation as the State Paleontology Collections and Research Center.

Established in 1970, CMM opened its current exhibition building in 1989. The museum is dedicated to the collection, preservation, research and interpretation of the culture and natural history of Southern Maryland. Through its exhibits, programs and activities, visitors learn about regional paleontology, estuarine life and maritime history of the tidal Patuxent River and Chesapeake Bay.

CMM is a public, non-profit museum operated by Calvert County Government. Learn more about Calvert Marine Museum at www.CalvertMarineMuseum.com.

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