

The Governor of the State of Maryland



To all who shall see these presents, Greeting:

¶Know Ye,¶ That reposing special trust
and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity, and abilities of

JAMES P. HOWARD

I do appoint him/her

SECOND LIEUTENANT

in the

¶(Maryland Defense Force)¶

to rank as such from the
two thousand and six

31ST

day of

DECEMBER

He/she is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties
of the office to which he/she is appointed by doing and performing
all manner of things thereunto belonging.

And I do strictly charge and require all officers and soldiers
under his/her command to be obedient to his/her orders. And he/she is
to observe and follow such orders and directions as he/she shall receive
from the Governor of the State of Maryland or from the superior
officers set over him/her according to the laws for the regulation and
government of the Maryland Defense Force.

This commission will continue in force until lawfully revoked.

Given under my hand at Annapolis, this 29TH day of AUGUST
in the year of our Lord two thousand and SEVEN

Bruce F. Tuck
The Lieutenant General

John P. Blalock
Governor