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Jennifer Hammaker Chosen for Leadership Maryland Class of 2017

Maryland Technology Development Corp. employee and Lutherville resident one of 52 selected for professional development program

Annapolis, Md. (February 15, 2017) – Leadership Maryland announced today that Jennifer J. Hammaker '17, Director, Maryland Innovation Initiative at Maryland Technology Development Corp. (TEDCO), has been chosen to participate in the professional development program dedicated to building a better Maryland by harnessing the strength of its local business and community leaders. Hammaker is one of 52 individuals chosen for Leadership Maryland's 25th class – the Class of 2017, who will complete the eight-month hands-on learning program focused on the state's most vital social, economic and environmental issues.

Following a two-day opening retreat in April, the class will attend five two-day intense sessions traversing the state focusing on Maryland's economic development, education, health and human services, criminal justice, the environment, and multi-culturalism/diversity. These sessions will be followed by a one-day closing retreat in November and a graduation celebration in December. More than 100 experts representing business, government, education, and the non-profit community will serve as panelists and guest speakers.

"The selection process for the Class of 2017 was very competitive this year, as we had an extraordinary pool of diverse and experienced applicants to choose from," said Renée M. Winsky '05, president and Chief Executive Officer, Leadership Maryland. "The 52 selected participants represent a diverse and broad spectrum of highly-qualified executives from across the state, and we are confident that their Leadership Maryland experience will help them to play an even greater role in our unified effort to shape the future of our state."

Leadership Maryland is open to senior-level executives with significant achievements in either their careers and/or their communities. Ideal Leadership Maryland members have a desire to learn more about Maryland's most critical issues and a personal commitment to be a force for positive change in their organizations, their communities, and their state. For more information about Leadership Maryland, please visit www.LeadershipMD.org, call 410-841-2101 or email Info@LeadershipMD.org.

About Leadership Maryland

Leadership Maryland is a professional development program dedicated to building a better Maryland by harnessing the strength of its local business and community leaders. Each year, as many as 52 diverse and accomplished executives from Maryland's public and private sectors are selected to come together as a class for an eight-month hands-on learning program focused on the state's most vital social, economic and environmental issues. The first Leadership Maryland class graduated in 1993, and the organization's alumni network now consists of more than 1,100 leaders from all industries and regions of the state. To learn more, please call Leadership Maryland at 410-841-2101 or visit www.LeadershipMD.org.

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