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Mr. John C. Wobensmith,
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State House,
Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
USA.

My Down Seeve

## RE: THE MARYLAND SISTER STATES PROGRAM

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 14, 2017 and to express my deep appreciation for your past relationship with Ondo State through *The Maryland Sister States Program* which has been in existence for almost four decades from which, I understand, the State had benefitted considerably.

I equally thank you for your kind words and best wishes for success. We promise to remain focused in the pursuit of all-round development of our dear State.

As a new administration, I wish to convey our readiness and willingness to partner the State of Maryland in developing collaborative projects in priority areas, as expressed in your letter, which impacts will be of continued immense benefits to Ondo State.

While looking forward to a mutually benefiting relationship, in the main, please accept the assurances of my highest regards.

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Governor of Cricio State