## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON IMPLEMENTATION OF A MENTAL HEALTH COURT IN THE CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County Administrative Judge for the Circuit Court for Montgomery County and the District Administrative Judge for District Six, Montgomery County, submitted a detailed plan for the establishment of a Mental Health Court to the Judicial Council's Committee on Specialty Courts and Dockets for its review and recommendation in compliance with Maryland Rule 16-206 and the Administrative Order on the Approval of Problem-Solving Court Programs in the Circuit and District Courts; and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Judicial Council's Committee on Specialty Courts and Dockets, the State Court Administrator reviewed the plan and recommended establishment of the program,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and administrative head of the Judicial Branch, pursuant to the authority conferred by Article IV, § 18 of the Maryland Constitution and Maryland Rule 16-206, hereby approve on this 6th day of July 2016 the application and ORDER the establishment of the Mental Health Court program in the Circuit and District Courts for Montgomery County.

/s/ Mary Ellen Barbera
Mary Ellen Barbera
Chief Judge
Court of Appeals of Maryland

Filed: July 6, 2016

/s/ Bessie M. Decker
Bessie M. Decker
Clerk
Court of Appeals of Maryland