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Treasurer Davis Selected for Class of 2023 Rodel Fellowship Program

ANNAPOLIS, MD—The Maryland State Treasurer’s Office today announced that Treasurer Dereck E. Davis has been chosen for the Class of 2023 Rodel Fellowship program. The Rodel Fellowship is one of the signature leadership programs of the Aspen Institute. Founded in 2005, it highlights officials who have demonstrated an outstanding ability to work responsibly across partisan divisions and bring greater civility to public discourse.

“It is an honor to be selected as a Rodel fellow,” said Treasurer Davis. “I look forward to developing a greater understanding of our nation’s greatest teachings that I can apply in my own leadership position, as well as learning from my other cohort.”

The Rodel Fellowship program began in 2005 with a bipartisan class of 24 elected officials. Each year, the program selects 24 outstanding state and local-level leaders, divided equally between the two major political parties, for a series of multi-day seminars held over a two-year period. As part of their program, the fellows read and discuss classic texts dealing with ethical values, democratic principles, and wise and effective leadership. Those texts include the Declaration of Independence, the preamble to the United States Constitution, and writings by Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, and Martin Luther King, Jr., as well as others.

More than 360 fellows have completed the program, including those who went on to become governors, members of Congress, cabinet secretaries, and other political and public service positions. The fellowship is designed to break down partisan barriers and to give participants the opportunity to think more deeply about the challenges of public leadership.

The Aspen Institute is a nonprofit organization with global reach whose vision is the creation of a free, just, and equitable society. For 70 years, the Institute has driven change by inspiring dialogue, leadership, and action to address society’s greatest challenges. With headquarters in Washington, DC, the Institute has offices in Aspen, Colorado, and New York City, as well as an international network of partners.

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