

The State of Maryland



Governor of the State of Maryland, to

PAUL THOMPSON

, Greetings:

Be it Known: That on behalf of the citizens of this State,

in recognition of your noble plans to single-handedly circumnavigate the globe in an effort to raise awareness within the hearing world of the capabilities of the deaf community, challenge deaf people to elevate their personal goals and promote dialogue about and publicize the unique qualities of being deaf; and as an expression of our admiration, great respect and sincere best wishes as you continue your efforts to better the lives of deaf people world-wide,

we are pleased to confer upon you this

Governor's Citation

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,

this 20th day of March

Two Thousand



Paris N. Kline
Governor

John J. Willis
Secretary of State