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## Annapolis Listed as One of America's Eleven Most Endangered Historic Places

Annapolis, MD – [June 26, 2018] Just a block from Annapolis' historic and threatened waterfront, Preservation Maryland joined with local elected officials, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Historic Annapolis, Inc. to announce the selection of the City of Annapolis, Maryland as one of *America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places*.

Since Annapolis' recognition as a National Historic Landmark District in 1965, the City has remained one of the most intact and authentic colonial towns in the entire nation. The current proposal to rezone portions of the historic district threatens to eliminate the critical connection between the water and the city, creates untold environmental challenges and could invite further degradation of the historic district.

Preservation Maryland Executive Director Nicholas Redding explained, "We are not opposed to the construction of hotels or the thoughtful redevelopment of underutilized areas of the historic district – but we are adamantly opposed to poorly planned development and changes which could severely impair Annapolis' robust heritage tourism economy."

Preservation Maryland joins with national, regional and local partners to reject this proposal. The organization is also launching an online petition to gather names of individuals opposed to this damaging plan. Residents of the City of Annapolis and anyone else who appreciates the history of Annapolis are encouraged to sign the petition at: [presmd.org/annapolis](http://presmd.org/annapolis)

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