



***Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
1st Quarterly Meeting***

*Thursday, March 26, 2026
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

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Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Procedural Reminders:**
Mona Kishore, Chair, Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
- II. Opening Remarks:**
Mona Kishore, Chair, Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs
Maria Martinez – Special Secretary, Governor's Office of Community Initiatives
Gregory Yancey, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office of Community Initiatives
- III. Adoption of the Agenda:**
- IV. Approval of the Minutes 02/12/2026 SPS II and 03/09/2026 SCM:**
- V. Committees:**
 - a. **Education & Health** – *Commissioner Ayesha Gulistan*
 - b. **Local Engagement & Inclusion** – *Vice Chair Ala'a Wafa*
- VI. Working Groups:**
 - a. **Partnership & Focus Groups**
 - b. **Event Planning**
 - I. **Maryland 250 Planning – Annapolis Orchestra** (*Commissioner Ammar Abdulhamid*)
 - II. **Maryland 250 Planning – Peace Walk (Possible Joint Commission Event)**
 - III. **Maryland 250 Planning – International Music Festival (Possible Joint Commission Event)**
 - IV. **Maryland 250 Planning – Multicultural Celebration with Commissions**
 - c. **Strategic Planning**
 - d. **Communication & Legislation**
 - I. **Heritage Bill Support for HB661 & SB308 update.**
 - e. **Interfaith Program**
- VII. Adjournment:**