## **FOREWORD**

The MARYLAND MANUAL SUPPLEMENT for 1975-1976, is an updated and abbreviated version of the 1973-1974 MARYLAND MANUAL. It contains an overview of State and local Government reflecting organizational and personnel changes that have occurred since the spring of 1974. With its name and general index and telephone numbers, including those for members of the General Assembly, it should prove an invaluable reference tool. However, it should be used in conjunction with the current MARYLAND MANUAL, because it does not contain agency descriptions, certain election returns, historical data, or relevant documents such as Maryland's Charter and the State Constitution, all of which are to be found in the 1973-1974 MANUAL.

As is the case with the full MARYLAND MANUAL, this SUP-PLEMENT could not have been compiled without the cooperation of many individuals and agencies, and to them we are greatly indebted. Although it is not practical to mention each by name we are especially grateful to the Honorable George R. Lewis, Secretary of the Department of General Services, of which we are a part, for his constant support and encouragement of the project.

Frank F. White, Jr., Editor of the MANUAL, has done his usual fine job in preparing this SUPPLEMENT, and to him should go the major share of the credit for its compilation. It is Mr. White's duty to begin the new MANUAL when the old one is hardly off the press, to collect the information needed, process it, and see the book to completion.

Copies of the 1973-1974 MANUAL and the paperbound SUPPLE-MENT, 1975-1976, can be purchased from the Hall of Records, Box 828, Annapolis, Maryland 21404, at the following prices: \$8.00 cloth-bound and \$6.00 paperbound for the full MANUAL, 1973-1974; and \$5.00 for the paperbound SUPPLEMENT, 1975-1976. Purchasers residing in Maryland must also pay a sales tax of 4% unless they have been granted a tax exemption.

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