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***O'Malley-Brown Hold Round-Table Discussion With
Prince George's County Seniors
Emphasize need for leadership that works***

Hyattsville, MD (February 10, 2006) – Today, Martin O'Malley and Anthony Brown held a round table discussion with Prince George's County seniors regarding the issues that affect them on a daily basis. Speaking with 40 residents of the Friendship Arms Apartments, a senior community in Hyattsville, O'Malley and Brown outlined how Maryland can do better for seniors with new leadership that works for Maryland.

O'Malley said, "The choices we make, whether for the next generation, or for the greatest generation, are going to make us weaker, or they're going to make us stronger. We need to come together to make the right choices."

Many residents expressed concern about the confusing Medicare D Prescription drug plan, the rising cost of prescription drugs, the quality of long-term care options, the lack of funding and support from Annapolis and Washington, DC, and the overall opportunities available to Maryland seniors.

Brown said, "This governor has turned a blind eye toward the needs of Maryland's aging population."

O'Malley and Brown outlined their previously released plan to make Maryland the most aging-friendly state which focused on:

- Creating an "Experience Corps Maryland";
- Helping Marylanders Navigate the Maze of the New Federal Medicare Drug Benefit;
- Preserving Retirement Security, Employee Pensions and State Investment Policy;
- Rewarding Older Marylanders and Their Families with Tax Incentives for Taking Smart Action to Safeguard Their Independence;
- Expanding Family Leave for State Employees;
- Instituting Long-Term Care Reform;

- Improving Quality at Senior Group-Home Assisted Living; and
- Elevating the Congregate Housing Services Partnership.

The full text of the O'Malley-Brown plan is available on the campaign website at www.martinomalley.com

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