

# Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** in 1972, President Richard Nixon signed into law an amendment to the Older Americans Act establishing the National Senior Nutrition Program. This Act has funded local agencies and organizations to serve home-delivered and congregate meals that help to ensure older adults have opportunities to stay healthy, independent, and connected; and
- Whereas,** more than 10 million (16%) older Americans face hunger each year along with malnutrition, social isolation, and at risk of leaving their homes; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia local county senior aging programs help older adults access healthy foods; nutrition screening, education, and social opportunities; and encourage well-being and healthy aging; and
- Whereas,** the Senior Nutrition Program is an integral part of West Virginia Aging Services – providing nutrition and so much more to our older community members, especially those most vulnerable to chronic health conditions; and
- Whereas,** the senior nutrition program is having a positive impact on our West Virginia Senior community; and
- Whereas,** senior congregate meals and home delivered meals provide a friendly face and social contact with homebound seniors; and
- Whereas,** the great work of the West Virginia Senior Programs provides to our seniors helping them to Age Well in West Virginia.

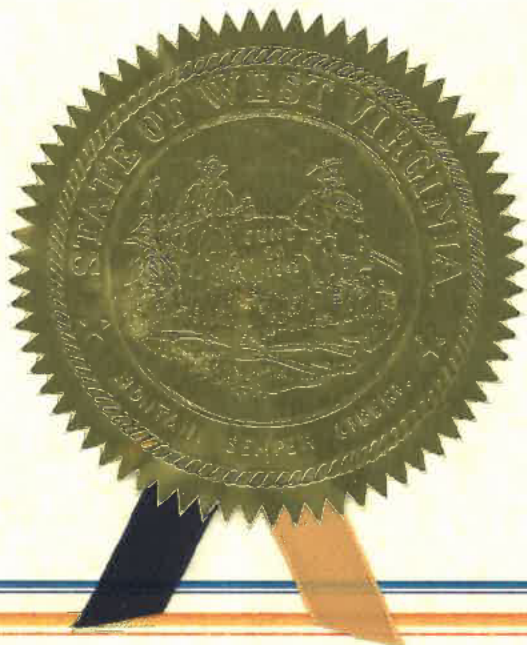
**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *March 2022* as:


## *50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Senior Nutrition Program*

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.


**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

**Done** at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-Fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth year of the State.



  
Jim Justice  
Governor

By the Governor:

  
Mac Warner  
Secretary of State