

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** colorectal cancer in the third most-common cancer among the women and men of the Great State of West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** colorectal cancer affects women and women equally and rural mountain state population are significantly less likely to be screened for the disease; and
- Whereas,** every 3 minutes someone is diagnosed with colorectal cancer and every 10 minutes someone dies from colorectal cancer; and
- Whereas,** the vast majority of colorectal cancer can be diagnosed via screening and early detection, and only 39 percent of the patients have their colorectal cancer detector at an early stage; and
- Whereas,** survival of those diagnosed is 90 percent when detected at an early stage compared to 10 percent when detected late; and
- Whereas,** if the majority of people in the United States of America age 45 or older were screened regularly for colorectal cancer the death rate from this horrible disease would plummet by 70 percent; and
- Whereas,** colorectal cancer is preventable, predictable, beatable and curable in most cases.

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

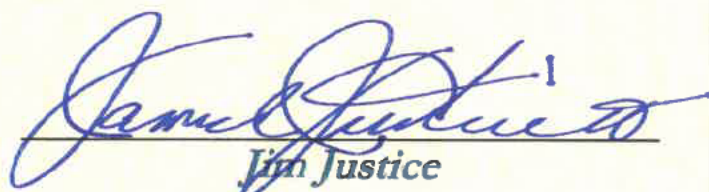
Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

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 Seventh day of February, 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