

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** Arthrogryposis Multiplex Congenita (AMC) is defined as multiple congenital joint contracture or multiple joints that are stuck in one position and have very little flexibility; and
- Whereas,** AMC is an umbrella diagnosis that occurs in approximately 1 in 3,000 live births; and
- Whereas,** AMC is believed to be caused by an unborn baby not moving properly during fetal development; and
- Whereas,** joints that can be affected by AMC include a person's hands, feet, hips, knees, elbows, shoulders, wrists, fingers, toes, jaw and spine. Any and all joints can be affected but it is possible for some joints to be unaffected, as no two people are affected exactly the same; and
- Whereas,** AMC is not curable but is treatable; various physical and speech therapies, stretching, and surgical interventions can help improve the independence level and quality of life of persons living with AMC; and
- Whereas,** June 30, 2022, families across the globe will be wearing the color blue to honor and support those affected by AMC.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *June 30, 2022* as:

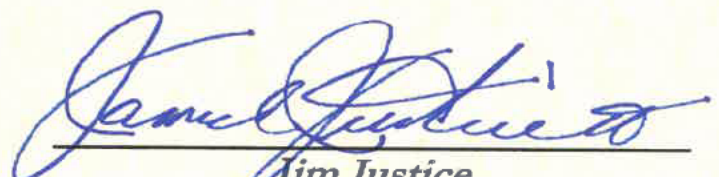
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

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 Fifteenth day of June, 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