

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** Lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation, causing the brain to have less or no ridges and folds; making it appear smooth; and
- Whereas,** it is estimated about 1 in 100,000 individuals are born with this condition; and
- Whereas,** people living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy, swallowing disorders, developmental delays, and more; and
- Whereas,** addressing the complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children at home; and
- Whereas,** the need for more education, awareness and support for families is desperately needed; and
- Whereas,** it is appropriate that one day each year should be set apart from the rest and be known as *Lissencephaly Awareness Day*, this day shall be on September 8th; and
- Whereas,** Lissencephaly Foundation Inc; a nonprofit charitable organization wants to help support these individuals through our continued efforts of empowering families and educating communities.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *September 8, 2022* as:


### *Lissencephaly Awareness Day*

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-Seventh day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.



  
Jim Justice  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

  
Mac Warner  
Secretary of State