

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** October 2022 marks the 77th anniversary of National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and
- Whereas,** the purpose of National Disability Employment Awareness Month is to educate about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities; and
- Whereas,** The WV Association for Rehabilitation Facilities in partnership with government, nonprofit, and private sector work toward our collective mission of empowering individuals with disabilities to find meaningful employment through planning, training, and advising; and
- Whereas,** disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes individuals with disabilities to live independently, enjoy self-determination, contribute to society, and fully experience economic, political, social, cultural, and educational mainstream of society; and
- Whereas,** workplaces welcoming of the talents of all people, including people with disabilities, are a critical part of our efforts to build an inclusive community and strong economy; and
- Whereas,** the goal of our program and our partners is to provide individuals with disabilities the opportunities and support to make informed decisions; pursue meaningful productive lives; contribute to their family and community, state, and nation; have interdependent relationships with others to achieve full inclusion in society; and
- Whereas,** we celebrate the contributions that workers with disabilities make to the safe and efficient operation of government for the state of West Virginia through the State Use Program.

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

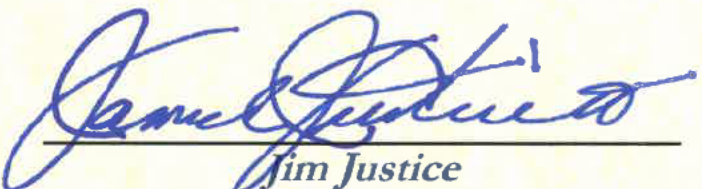
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

**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 Eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.



  
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Jim Justice  
Governor

  
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Secretary of State