

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** Charitable Gift Planners of West Virginia is a national effort to inspire people from all walks of life and all income levels to think beyond their lifespan by leaving gifts to their favorite charities through “planned gifts” and wills; and
- Whereas,** this public awareness campaign uses the theme “Make a Difference in the Lives that Follow” as a means to encourage people to leave bequests to charities and to nonprofit organizations; and
- Whereas,** this broad-based community campaign involves all types of nonprofit groups, including social services and arts organizations, churches, hospitals and educational institutions, including the 2,000 charities registered in West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** in life, most people require some kind of assistance, whether it is physical, financial or spiritual, and during life’s struggles, we are often reminded that more must be done to continue positive, humane acts of kindness and to sustain programs for personal enrichment; and
- Whereas,** charitable organizations need financial assistance from people to continue their work — more than eighty percent of Americans contribute to the nonprofit groups of their choice throughout their lifetimes, but only around eight percent of Americans chose to continue this support through a charitable bequest; and
- Whereas,** by making bequests and other “planned gifts,” it is possible to provide continued help to organizations that are making an important difference in our communities and State.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *October 17-23, 2022* as:


Wills Week

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-Second day of September, 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