

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** the good health and general well-being of the people of West Virginia is strengthened by our awareness and understanding of a genetic disorder known as 4p- syndrome, with Wolf-Hirschhorn as the main syndrome; and
- Whereas,** children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience medical complications while still maintaining pleasant lovable personalities; and
- Whereas,** dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools, and to offer hope to persons with 4p- syndrome; and
- Whereas,** the 4p- Support Group estimates that approximately 1,000 individuals in the United States have 4p- syndrome, though it is thought many remain undiagnosed; and
- Whereas,** it is incumbent upon the citizens of West Virginia to work together as a people and as a state to increase research into understanding the syndrome, to advocate for effective diagnostic screenings, to support the development of improved therapies for early intervention and other necessary and critical treatments, as well as join in recognizing and applauding the valuable role which families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome play in helping our medical community advance the knowledge and awareness of this syndrome; and
- Whereas,** the State of West Virginia is pleased to join throughout our nation in promoting the special celebration which seeks to raise awareness of 4p- syndrome and their caregivers.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *April 16, 2023* as:


4p- / Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome 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 Fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State