

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** throughout the rich history of the United States of America, brave men and women have established an honorable tradition of service, taking a sworn oath to defend our great Nation; and
- Whereas,** we honor and support our military and their families who have selflessly answered the call of duty; and
- Whereas,** we applaud the loyalty, academic excellence, and civic engagement of the 2,975 students in our high schools and career/technical centers enrolled in the Army, Air Force, Marines, and Navy Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps; and
- Whereas,** we recognize military service as a meaningful post-high school career path and value the vital job skills and experience it provides to succeed in the workforce; and
- Whereas,** we commend the dedication and integrity of the high school students who are entering service academies and are committing to serve on active duty, or as part-time citizen soldiers in the Reserves or National Guard; and
- Whereas,** in West Virginia, we honor these students' courage to serve America and are grateful to celebrate their commitment to the United States Armed Forces; we admire their willingness to fight for our freedoms and defend this great nation; and
- Whereas,** by signing, students proclaim their commitment to public service; agree to uphold the United States Constitution; and hereby represent the United States of America, their families, and themselves.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *April 24-28, 2023* as:

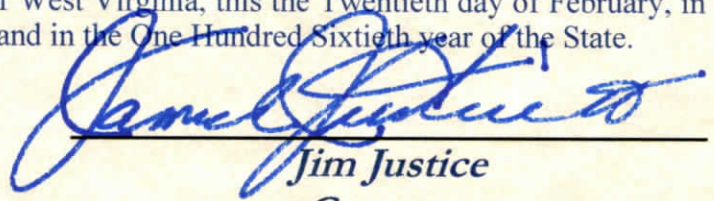
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

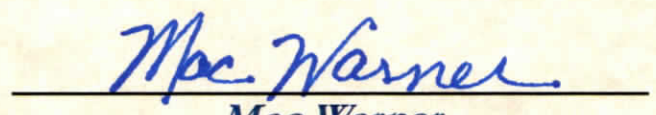
Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.





Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:



Mac Warner
Secretary of State