

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** behavioral health is an essential part of health and overall wellness; and
- Whereas,** recovery from alcohol and substance use disorders occurs every day through a variety of recovery support resources and treatment pathways; and
- Whereas,** prevention is possible for behavioral health and substance use disorders, treatment is effective, and recovery occurs daily for people across West Virginia and throughout the nation; and
- Whereas,** millions of people across the United States are in long-term recovery living happy, healthy, and productive lives; and
- Whereas,** relatives and friends of people with behavioral health and substance use disorders must be encouraged to implement preventive measures, recognize the signs of a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and
- Whereas,** to help more people achieve and sustain long-term recovery, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Office of Drug Control Policy and Bureau for Behavioral Health invite residents of the State of West Virginia to participate in and support efforts toward recovery.

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


West Virginia Recovery Month

in the Mountain State, I call upon the people of West Virginia to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies to support this year's Recovery Month theme.


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 Seventh day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State