

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, healthy kidneys are essential for regulating our bodies by removing fluids, waste, and toxins. Kidneys release hormones to help regulate blood pressure, produce red blood cells, and strengthen our bones; and

Whereas, kidney cancer is the 6th most prevalent cancer in men and the 9th most prevalent cancer in women; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 81,619 new cases of kidney cancer in the United States in 2024, resulting in an estimated 14,399 deaths; and

Whereas, it is estimated 540 men and women in West Virginia will be diagnosed with kidney cancer this year and it is estimated 100 West Virginians will die from this disease; and

Whereas, the precise cause of kidney cancer is unknown, advances in diagnosis and treatment may create an opportunity for a kidney cancer patient to live longer.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *March 2024* as:

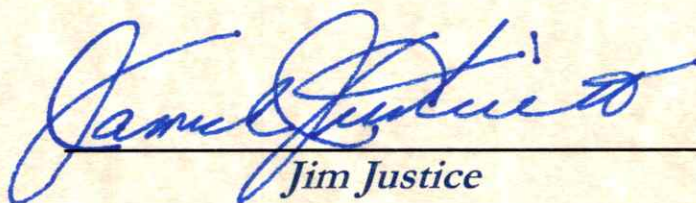
Kidney Cancer Awareness Month

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in 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 Eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State