

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** registered nurses in West Virginia constitute our state's largest health care profession; and
- Whereas,** the depth and breadth of the nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the West Virginian population in a wide range of settings; and
- Whereas,** the West Virginia Nurses Association, as the voice for West Virginia nurses, is working to chart a new course for a healthy West Virginia that relies on increasing access to primary and preventive health care, and better utilization of all our state's nursing resources; and
- Whereas,** professional nursing is an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of hospitalized and non-hospitalized patients; and
- Whereas,** the demand for nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging West Virginia population, emerging health challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and
- Whereas,** more qualified West Virginia nurses are needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and
- Whereas,** the cost-effective, safe, and high-quality health care services provided by West Virginia nurses will be an increasingly important component of the West Virginia health care delivery system in the future; and
- Whereas,** along with the American Nurses Association, the West Virginia Nurses Association has declared May as Nurses Month, with the theme "You Make a Difference," with appreciation for nurses' unparalleled impact during the pandemic, and their contributions to health care, and an open invitation to #ThankaNurse for enriching our lives and the world we live in.

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


Nurses Month: You Make a Difference

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 April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State