

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** there are nearly 300 million vehicles in operation and today's motor vehicles are highly complex with more advanced technology than ever before; and
- Whereas,** increasing vehicle complexity requires specialized tools and highly trained professionals to perform more and more vehicle repairs; and
- Whereas,** there are more than 1,000,000 men and women employed as maintenance and repair technicians at general repair shops, vehicle dealerships and service stations across the U.S.; and
- Whereas,** these automotive service professionals perform essential service to the American motoring public, keeping their vehicles in safe dependable operating condition; and
- Whereas,** these professionals must continue to keep up-to-date on ever-evolving vehicle systems and technologies to effectively perform vehicle maintenance and repairs; and
- Whereas,** the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) helps car owners easily identify automotive professionals who have proven themselves to be competent and knowledgeable; and
- Whereas,** the process to become ASE Certified requires qualified work experience and passing a challenge test for each certification; and
- Whereas,** ASE certified technicians are required to prove their technical knowledge by retesting every 5 years to keep their certification.

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

### *Automotive Service Professionals Month*

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 April, 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