

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** the baton twirling movement has affected the lives of American girls and boys; and
- Whereas,** baton twirling has been instrumental in building the confidence and character of these young people, and has provided guidance and training so they might become better qualified citizens; and
- Whereas,** the art and sport of baton twirling is one of the largest nationwide beneficial youth movements for girls and boys; and
- Whereas,** baton twirling plays an important part in children's hospitals as a unique and effective method of physical therapy; and
- Whereas,** baton twirlers lend so much color and inspiration to our community; and
- Whereas,** champion twirlers from all across the United States will gather at the University of Notre Dame on July 24-27, 2023, to conduct a colorful youth pageant called *America's Youth on Parade*; and
- Whereas,** the 42<sup>nd</sup> annual National Collegiate twirling championships will be a highlight of *America's Youth on Parade*.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *July 23-29, 2023* as:


### *National Baton Twirling Week*

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to acknowledge the colorful and beneficial youth movement of baton twirling.


**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 Sixth day of June, 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