

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** *National Family Literacy Day*, established by the 103rd Congress in 1994, and now marking its Twenty-Ninth Anniversary on November 1, 2023, highlights the importance of reading and learning for the entire family and emphasizes the impact that parents have on their child's learning; and
- Whereas,** this day is celebrated across America each year, and focuses on special activities and events that showcase the importance of family literacy programs that empower families and build a nation of readers; and
- Whereas,** literacy programs across the United States will observe *National Family Literacy Day* by holding read-a-thons, book drives, workshops, and family activities at schools, libraries, and community centers to encourage literacy; and
- Whereas,** as many as one in six adults struggle with reading and writing, and by learning to read, individuals can gain self-respect and confidence and strive toward goals that otherwise would not be achievable; and
- Whereas,** the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children and adults; and
- Whereas,** education is one of the cornerstones of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the West Virginia State Society is committed to increasing literacy by promoting and supporting literacy programs.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *November 1, 2023* as:

National Family Literacy Day

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

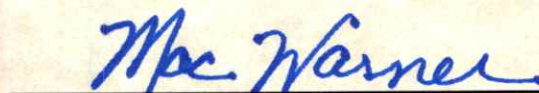
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-fifth day of July, 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