

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

**Whereas,** the metric system, known as the International System of Units (SI), is a universal decimal-based measurement system developed to harmonize essential measurements that underpin science and technology; and

**Whereas,** legalized by the United States Congress in 1866 and declared the preferred system of weights and measures for Trade and Commerce; and

**Whereas,** the development of the metric system as an international system has contributed to advances in global commerce, science, and technology; and

**Whereas,** *National Metric Week* draws attention to the educational and economic benefits of using the metric system; and

**Whereas,** teaching SI proficiency is fundamental to an informed citizenry, strengthens Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) careers, and is a linchpin for the development of a world-class US workforce of the future

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **October 8-14, 2023** as:

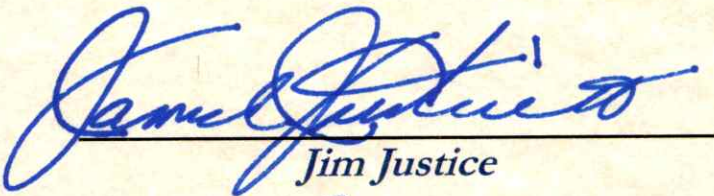
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

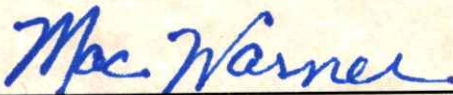
**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

**Done** at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Second day of August, 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