

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** West Virginia Association for Young Children, Child Care Aware® of America and other organizations nationwide are recognizing Child Care Providers on this day; and
- Whereas,** child care has provided a safe, nurturing place for the enrichment and development of millions of children nationwide and is a vital force in our economy; and
- Whereas,** the pandemic illuminated how indispensable childcare providers are for the well-being and economic security of West Virginia's young children, families, and communities; and
- Whereas,** child care programs, which are mostly small businesses, run and staffed predominantly by women, continue to recover from the health and financial hardships stemming from the pandemic to meet the needs of more families; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia recognizes that child care has been and continues to be a lifeline for families, communities, and the economy.
- Whereas,** the future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today; support for high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to our children's future.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 10, 2024* as:

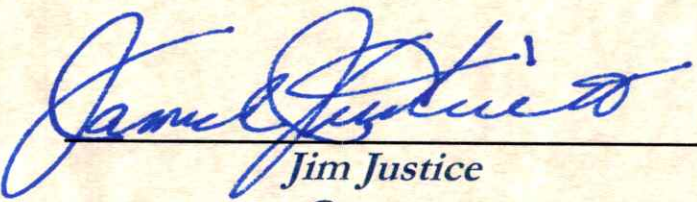
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in observance.

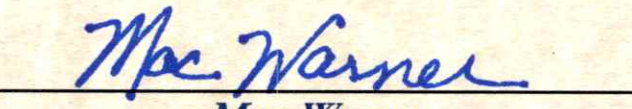
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State