

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** we recognize that hunger is a persistent problem in West Virginia, with 1 in 6 individuals struggling daily with knowing where their next meal will come from; and
- Whereas,** hunger impacts everyone in all walks of life; many working families struggle with hunger; and
- Whereas,** children are at a higher risk of hunger risk of hunger, with 1 in 5 children not having enough food to get them through the day; a hungry child cannot learn, a hungry child cannot grow; and
- Whereas,** our population of seniors are particularly at-risk as they make choices daily on whether they eat nutritional foods or pay other bills including medical bills and utilities; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia has a strong network of non-profits, including two food banks and over 600 community feeding programs whose focus is strengthening communities; together over 21 million pounds of food are distributed to those in need each year.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *March 5, 2019* as:

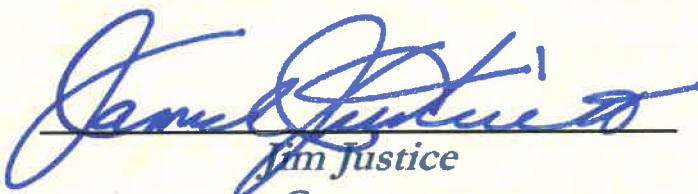
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.


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 Twenty-sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Nineteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Sixth year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State