

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** we recognize that hunger is a persistent problem in West Virginia, with 1 in 5 adults 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 4 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 31 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 *January 14, 2020* as:

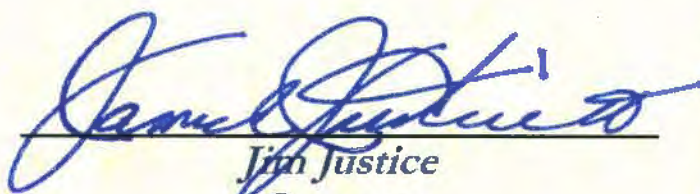
## *Hunger Free West Virginia Day*

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 Second day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Seventh year of the State.



  
Jim Justice  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

  
Mac Warner  
Secretary of State