

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, Henry C. “Hoppy” Shores was born in the year 1932, in Dunbar, West Virginia, the son of the late Henry Eugene and Mary Elizabeth Shores; and

WHEREAS, Hoppy Shores attended Woodrow Wilson Junior High School and graduated from Stonewall Jackson High School, where he led the Generals to the 1947 State Championship, as a star running back; and

WHEREAS, Hoppy Shores was awarded the Loyalty Endowment Scholarship at West Virginia University, graduating with a business degree; and

WHEREAS, Hoppy Shores was a United States Army veteran, earning the rank of major and having served stateside in Oklahoma and Texas; and

WHEREAS, Hoppy Shores began his career in the insurance business and developed the of the “Hoppy Shores Insurance Agency;” and

WHEREAS, Hoppy Shores was elected to serve in the West Virginia House of Delegates from 1986 to 1990; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Shores served 42 years as a commissioner for the Kanawha County Commission, served on the Kanawha County Parks and Recreation Board, member of the Yeager Airport Board of Directors, and was influential in bringing the Continental Football League “Charleston Rockets” to Charleston; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Shores was the longest serving Kanawha County Commissioner in history, the commission courtroom “The Henry C. ‘Hoppy’ Shores Courtroom,” Henry “Hoppy” Shores Drive, and Hoppy’s Little Express Train were each named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Shores, a committed and respected public servant and a devoted son, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, friend, colleague, and neighbor, passed away on February 4, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Shores is survived by his wife, Bronson; two sons, Henry C Shores, Jr. and Scott Shores; two daughters, Sherry (Mike) Akers and Lynn (John) Maddox; four grandchildren, Tayler (Greg) Valentine, Audrey (Chris) Randolph, Austin Akers, and Samantha (Austin) Johnson; five great-grandchildren, Shores Valentine, Winnie Valentine, Walter Valentine, Merritt Valentine, and Trudy Valentine; and was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, William “Bill” Shores and Robert Shores; and his loving sisters, Mary Elizabeth “Boots” Long, Violet “Tuny” Markham, and Annabelle Shores; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and associates of Delegate Henry C. “Hoppy” Shores desire to recognize his dedicated public service to the Great State of West Virginia, and to acknowledge his valuable contributions to the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **ORDER** that, in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of West Virginia Delegate Henry C. “Hoppy” Shores, the United States and West Virginia State flags displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Kanawha County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on February 10, 2022, the day of services celebrating his life.

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 in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Ninth day of February, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth Year of the State.



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James Justice
GOVERNOR

Mac Warner
SECRETARY OF STATE