

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, beginning on May 6, 2022, a severe rainstorm caused flooding, power outages, and road blockages in certain counties including Cabell, Putnam, and Roane; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the storm pose a severe and continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, further severe rainstorms are expected in the coming days to cause further flooding, power outages, and road blockages throughout West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with my authority as Governor, I have declared a State of Emergency for Cabell, Putnam, and Roane counties, and a State of Preparedness remains in effect for all other counties in the State of West Virginia on May 6, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby **FIND AND DECLARE** that a State of Emergency exists and continues in Cabell, Putnam, and Roane counties of West Virginia, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days unless terminated by subsequent Proclamation. In response to this State of Emergency, I have **INVOKED** the emergency powers set forth in section six, article five chapter fifteen of the Code of West Virginia; **UTILIZED** the Emergency Operations Plan, as necessary; **ORDERED** appropriate personnel and resources to prepare to mobilize and respond to the emergency; and **DELEGATED** certain administrative powers to the Director of the West Virginia Emergency Management Division, as necessary, to facilitate the provision of essential emergency services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



By the State

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this Sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth year of the State.

James Justice
GOVERNOR

Mpc Warner
SECRETARY OF STATE