Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, Hydrocephalus is the buildup of fluid in the cavities (ventricles) deep within the brain; the excess fluid increases the size of the ventricles and puts pressure on the brain, caused most often by an obstruction preventing proper fluid drainage; and

Whereas, the pressure of too much cerebrospinal fluid associated with hydrocephalus can damage brain tissues and cause a large spectrum of impairments in brain function; and

Whereas, Hydrocephalus may cause head enlargement, blurred vision or blindness, seizures, impaired physical development, learning disabilities, progressive irreversible damage to the nerve cells in the brain and event death; and

Whereas, the medical community reports about one-of-every 500 children born with this incurable condition but it can occur at any age, and affects an estimated 1,000,000 people in the United States; and

Whereas, the United States Congress passed a Resolution in 2009 designating the month of September as National Hydrocephalus Awareness Month; and

Whereas, Representatives from the National Hydrocephalus Foundation, in conjunction with leaders from the professional community and medical-based organizations and associations, are dedicated to increasing public awareness of hydrocephalus and the needs of families parenting children diagnosed with Hydrocephalus.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim the month of September 30, 2022 as:

Hydrocephalus Awareness Day

and proclaim September 2022 as:

Hydrocephalus Awareness Month

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-Ninth day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.

Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:

Mac Warner
Secretary of State