

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** the catastrophic injury or death of a parent or guardian can have a devastating emotional and financial impact on any family; and
- Whereas,** when the injury or death resulted from a work-related accident, workers' compensation benefits are often insufficient to allow the children of the injured or deceased worker to pursue their educational goals; and
- Whereas,** Kids' Chance of West Virginia was incorporated in 1998 as a nonprofit organization which provides educational scholarships to young West Virginians that have a parent who has suffered a serious, catastrophic, or fatal workplace injury or illness; and
- Whereas,** Kids' Chance of West Virginia believes that access to higher education ensures that our state's young people have the knowledge and skills to be successful in the workplace, provide for their families, and make a difference in their communities; and
- Whereas,** Kids' Chance of West Virginia has provided more than \$300,000 in scholarships since its inception in 1998, helping West Virginia students attend vocational and trade programs, state colleges and universities, and out-of-state colleges and universities; and
- Whereas,** future West Virginia students will be in need of financial assistance; and
- Whereas,** November 13-17, 2023, has been designated *Kids' Chance Awareness Week* in order to increase the visibility of Kids' Chance organizations throughout the United States and to inform others about Kids' Chance scholarship opportunities.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim ***November 13-17, 2023*** as:

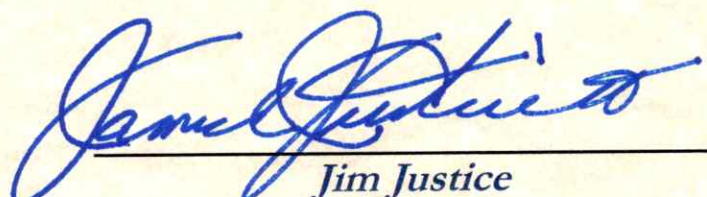
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

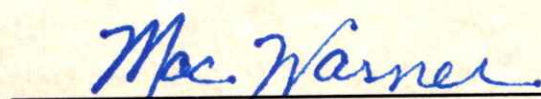
**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

**Done** at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.



  
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Jim Justice  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

  
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Secretary of State

