Proclamation
by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, Theatre education enriches the lives of West Virginia students and allows them to strengthen critical thinking, communication, collaboration, leadership, and problem-solving skills outside of a traditional classroom environment; and

Whereas, many school administrators believe that theatre experiences can improve the overall academic skills of students; and

Whereas, Theatre education can contribute to the mental well-being of students by providing a welcoming, creative, and positive environment to explore and discover new ideas; and

Whereas, many schools in West Virginia provide enriching performing arts experiences for students of all ages, giving many young people a creative outlet to express themselves; and

Whereas, Theatre in Our Schools Month is an opportunity for West Virginia to celebrate theatre education in schools and recognize the importance of theatre in the lives of students.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as:

Theatre in Our Schools 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 Seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.

By the Governor:

Jim Justice
Governor

Mac Warner
Secretary of State