

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** more than five million Americans are diagnosed with skin cancer each year, making it the most common cancer diagnosed in the United States; and
- Whereas,** one American dies every forty-five minutes from skin cancer; and
- Whereas,** the most common types of skin cancer include melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, which is strongly associated with exposure to UV radiation; and
- Whereas,** individuals can take steps to reduce their risk of developing skin cancer by being sun safe; and
- Whereas,** sun protection helps prevent the harmful effects of UV exposure, including sunburn, skin cancer, premature skin aging, and eye damage; and
- Whereas,** the U.S. Surgeon General's Office has issued a Call to Action to prevent skin cancer; and
- Whereas,** The National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention has designated the Friday before Memorial Day as "*Don't Fry Day*" to encourage sun safety awareness and to remind everyone to protect their skin while enjoying the outdoors.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 26, 2023* as:

West Virginia Don't Fry Day

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 Third day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State