Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, West Virginia Writers, Inc. annual conventions were first convened in 1978, the year 2023 marks 45 consecutive years of celebrating writers and writing in West Virginia; and

Whereas, is the largest all-volunteer, writers' resource and service organization serving literary interests in West Virginia; and

Whereas, is founded on the fundamental principle that the written word is one of the most distinguishing characteristics of all human endeavors; and

Whereas, the aim is to expand and develop creative writing and professional opportunities for writers and to connect the state's writers with others in the literary community and the public at large; and

Whereas, supports serious writing activities within the writing community and encourages appreciation of the literary arts and promotes writing as an art form; and

Whereas, expands the horizons and deepens the appreciation of life, culture, and communication among writers and all citizens of West Virginia.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *June 10, 2023* as:

West Virginia Writers 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 Twenty-first day of April, 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