## Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, West Virginians face weather threats each year from winter weather and conditions associated with it such as snow and ice storms, flooding from rapid snow melts, and extended power outages; and

Whereas, winter weather impacts every individual in every region of the state, affecting schools, businesses, personal lives, and the economy on a local and state level; and

Whereas, the State of West Virginia, Emergency Management Division identifies winter weather as dangerous in West Virginia; and

Whereas, the loss of life and property during winter weather can be greatly reduced if West Virginians take appropriate preparedness measures before, during, and after winter weather strikes; and

Whereas, Winter Weather Awareness Week gives the State of West Virginia the opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for and understanding winter weather in West Virginia, and to encourage all citizens to better prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for winter weather of all types; and

Whereas, the State of West Virginia, Emergency Management Division, in partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service, is observing Winter Weather Awareness Week on November 13-17; and

Whereas, the West Virginia Emergency Management Division, in cooperation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service, and other local, state and federal agencies is committed to providing winter weather preparedness information to citizens throughout the state.

**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 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 November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.



Jim Justice Governor

By the Governor:

Mac Warner Secretary of State