

# STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

**At Charleston**

### A PROCLAMATION

**By the Governor**

**WHEREAS**, Charles Everett Romine, Jr. was born on January 16, 1936, in Spencer, Roane County, West Virginia, the son of the late Shirley Mae and Charles Everett Romine Sr.; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Romine was a 1954 graduate of Huntington High School, where he flourished as a student leader and musician in the Pony Express Marching Band playing the tuba and sousaphone for football games and at band festivals; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Romine matriculated at Marshall College, where he studied business while working full-time and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, graduating in 1958 from Marshall; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Romine built his insurance agency with State Farm shortly after graduating from Marshall College, a company he represented for more than 40 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Delegate Charles Romine was selected as Huntington Man of the Year in 1968 and shortly after he was first elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates, a position to which he was re-elected several times over the next 50 years until his retirement from public service in 2018 at the age of 83; and

**WHEREAS**, I awarded Delegate Charles Romine one of the State's great honors in 2018, The Distinguished West Virginia Award, in thanks for his life of dedicated service in both the public and private sectors to The Mountain State; and

**WHEREAS**, Delegate Charles Romine was preceded in death by his wife of nearly 66 years, Phyllis Romine; his parents, Shirley Mae and Charles E. Romine, Sr.; his sisters, Alice and Judy, and their husbands; and Delegate Charles Romine is survived by his children, Charles III and wife Mary Ann, Dr. (Colonel) David and wife Vickie, and Anne and husband Steve; and by his grandchildren, Reed, Grant, Alex, Emma, Anna, and Lauren, and great-grandson Alex Logan; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and associates of Delegate Charles Romine desire to recognize his dedicated public service to the Great State of West Virginia, and to acknowledge his valuable contributions to the State.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **ORDER** that, in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of West Virginia Delegate Charles E. Romine, Jr., the United States and West Virginia State flags displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Cabell County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on September 28, 2023, the day of services celebrating his life.

**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 in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-Seventh Day of September, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First Year of the State.



**By the Governor**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Jim Justice".

**GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mac Warner".

**SECRETARY OF STATE**