

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, beginning on the April 2, 2024, a severe thunderstorm with associated high winds occurred which caused flooding, downed trees, power outages, and road blockages in certain counties, including Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Nicholas Counties; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the storm pose a severe and continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Nicholas Counties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with my authority as Governor, I have declared a State of Emergency for Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Nicholas Counties, on April 2, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby **FIND AND DECLARE** that a State of Emergency exists and continues in Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Nicholas Counties, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days unless terminated by subsequent Proclamation. In response to this State of Emergency, I have **INVOKED** the emergency powers set forth in West Virginia Code §15-5-6; **UTILIZED** the Emergency Operations Plan, as necessary; **ORDERED** appropriate personnel and resources, as may be deemed necessary, to mobilize and respond to the emergency; and **DELEGATED** certain administrative powers to the Director of the West Virginia Emergency Management Division, as necessary, to facilitate the provision of essential emergency services.

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 Second Day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, in the One Hundred Sixty-First Year of the State.



By the State

James E. Justice
GOVERNOR

Mac Warner
SECRETARY OF STATE