

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

At Charleston

**AN AMENDED PROCLAMATION**

By the Governor

**WHEREAS**, Hurricane Helene, a significant storm event, with associated high winds occurred which caused flooding, downed trees, power outages, and road blockages, in Mercer County, West Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the effects of the storm pose a severe and continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare, and property of citizens of the State, including Mercer County; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been deemed necessary and beneficial to declare a State of Emergency, pursuant to West Virginia Code § 15-5-6, for Mercer County of the State of West Virginia to enable the most effective response possible;

**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 in Mercer County, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days from the declaration of this emergency 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.



**By the State**

**DONE** at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this First Day of October, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, in the One Hundred Sixty-Second Year of the State.

  
**GOVERNOR**



**SECRETARY OF STATE**