Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, the West Virginia Women's Commission works to continue to fulfill its mission in extraordinary times in many ways, including by providing the annual Women's and Girls' Day at the Legislature as a virtual event; and

Whereas, this year's Women's and Girls' Day at the Legislature theme, "Bridging the Divide: Engage, Empower and Unite" honors the challenges of the current time while providing an educational perspective and encouragement to move forward; and

Whereas, Women's and Girls' Day at the Legislature is an opportunity for diverse and accomplished West Virginia women and men to share their individual experience on the road to empowerment with the public, while also providing an explanation of the legislative process and how to create strategic planning goals to lead our state now and in the future; and

Whereas, the partners, commissioners, and staff support the West Virginia Women's Commission's goal to elevate the power and potential of West Virginia women and girls to thrive and have economic, political, educational, and social equality to ensure their full participation in society and be recognized for their achievements.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *March 5, 2024* as:

Women's and Girls' Day at the Legislature

in the Mountain State and encourage all women and girls to learn about the diversity of people and their life experiences, get involved in local and state government, and work toward continuing to make a difference in the lives of future generations of West Virginians.

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 Seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.



Jim Justice

By the Governor:

Mac Warner Secretary of State