

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps was established in 1994, soon after President Bill Clinton signed the order forming AmeriCorps state programs, thereby initiating a legacy of service in West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps is the oldest full-time AmeriCorps program in West Virginia, demonstrating a long-standing commitment to community service and volunteerism; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps members make significant impacts through their service at food pantries, schools, reentry programs, homeless coalitions and agencies, community action agencies, among many others; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps members have provided critical aid during disaster services, including responses to flooding, fires, water crises, and severe storms, ensuring the safety and recovery of affected communities; and
- Whereas,** during the COVID-19 pandemic, LifeBridge AmeriCorps members continued their mission, ensuring no one was left behind and providing essential services amidst unprecedented challenges; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps members have addressed homelessness, housing and food insecurity, mentored children and teens, and responded to WV 211 assistance calls, demonstrating a wide range of service capabilities; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps members offer a wide range of services, including job training, mentorship, financial education, mental health support, and access to healthcare and housing resources, thereby fostering a sense of belonging and stability for our veterans; and
- Whereas,** 2024 marks the 30th anniversary of LifeBridge AmeriCorps, a milestone that highlights three decades of dedicated service and community support; and
- Whereas,** over the past 30 years, 1,439 LifeBridge service members have collectively contributed 2,064,945 hours of service, making substantial contributions to the well-being of communities across West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** LifeBridge AmeriCorps members embody the spirit of service with their dedicated hearts, continually striving to improve the lives of those they serve and strengthening the fabric of our communities.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **June 28, 2024** as:

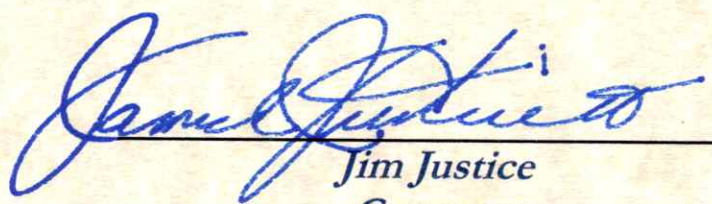
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in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in observance.


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 Twenty-eighth day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Second year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State