

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, the U.S. Drought Monitor indicates that there exist extreme drought conditions in certain counties of West Virginia, and moderate or severe drought conditions throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to West Virginia Code § 15-5-6, it has been deemed necessary and beneficial to declare a State of Emergency in all 55 counties of West Virginia to most effectively respond to drought conditions;

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 throughout all 55 counties of West Virginia, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days unless earlier 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 to prepare to mobilize and respond to any emergency that may develop; 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.

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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 Twenty-Sixth Day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, in the One Hundred Sixty-Second year of the State.



James Justice
GOVERNOR

By the State

Mac Warner
SECRETARY OF STATE