STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
At Charleston
A PROCLAMATION
By the Governor

WHEREAS, Robert E. "Bob" Holroyd was born on the fifteenth day of September, Nineteen Hundred Thirty-nine, in Princeton, West Virginia, the son of Frank Jackson and Virginia Lazenby Holroyd; and

WHEREAS, Bob Holroyd graduated from Princeton High School and went on to major in political science at West Virginia University before volunteering for the United States Marine Corps to serve during the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, Bob Holroyd graduated with his Juris Doctorate from West Virginia Law School in Nineteen Hundred Fifty-eight and returned to Princeton, founding Johnston Holroyd & Associates as well as serving as one of the organizers of Princeton Community Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Bob Holroyd was elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates in Nineteen Hundred Sixty-four and was appointed to the School Building Authority in Two Thousand Three and was still serving a term to end in July, Two Thousand Twenty-one; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Bob Holroyd served on the West Virginia State Democratic Executive Committee for two terms, as a Delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Nineteen Hundred Seventy-six, as a consultant to the Governor’s Committee on Crime, Delinquency, and Correction and to the International Association of Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Bob Holroyd served his community as a past member and officer in Princeton’s Junior Chamber of Commerce and was an active member in the Princeton Rotary Club, and was a current member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars-VFW, American Legion, Elks, Moose, and Mercer County’s and West Virginia’s State Bar Associations; and
WHEREAS, Delegate Bob Holroyd, a committed and respected public servant and a devoted father, grandfather, great grandfather, friend and neighbor, died on the Twenty-seventh day of October, Two Thousand Nineteen; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Bob Holroyd is survived by his twin brother, Fredrick Fairfax (Sarah) Holroyd; daughters, Elizabeth “B” (Forrest) Holroyd and Mary Jacqueline (Samuel) Holroyd; son, Magistrate William Frank “Bill” Holroyd; grandchildren, Emilie Elizabeth “Bess” (Gene) Dolin, Emma Hay (Mickey) Gardner, Robert Allen “Bob” (Erin) Gardner, and Elizabeth Burney “B” (Caleb) Gardner; great granddaughter, Metta; and several nieces and nephews and grand and great-grand nieces and nephews; he was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Emilie Adams Holroyd; brother, Frank Jackson Holroyd; sister, Diane Holroyd Nichols; and infant son, Robert Edward Holroyd, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and associates of Delegate Bob Holroyd desire to recognize his dedicated public service to the Great State of West Virginia, and to acknowledge his valuable contributions to the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Justice, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby ORDER that, in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of West Virginia Delegate Robert E. “Bob” Holroyd, the United States and West Virginia State flag displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Mercer County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on the Second day of November, Two Thousand Nineteen, the day of services celebrating his life.

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 the First day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Nineteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Seventh year of the State.