

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

**At Charleston**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**By the Governor**

**WHEREAS**, R. Michael Shaw was born on the twenty-fifth day of April, Nineteen Hundred Forty-three, in Fairmont, Marion County, the son of Ralph Edward Shaw and Rhoda Carroll Shaw Ping; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaw graduated from Point Pleasant High School in Nineteen Hundred Sixty-one, then received his undergraduate degree and law degree from West Virginia University in Nineteen Hundred Sixty-eight; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaw served in the House of Delegates representing the Tenth District from Nineteen Hundred Seventy-three to Nineteen Hundred Seventy-four; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaw served in the West Virginia Senate representing the Fourth District from Nineteen Hundred Seventy-nine to Nineteen Hundred Eighty-seven; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaw served as Chairman, Workers' Compensation Board of Appeals; Commissioner, WV Board of Realtors; Member, WV Public Service District; President, Mason County Republican Committee; and

Jr. (Sarah); step-daughter, Ashley Murphy; seven grandchildren, Jacqueline, Jenna, Beau, Bella, Cole, Taylor, and Katie and four great-grandchildren; brother, Tim Shaw; sister, Carroll Whitney; and several cousins, nieces and nephews; he was preceded in death by his first wife, Virginia Armentrout Shaw; his father, Ralph; mother, Rhoda; and his son, Tres; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and associates of Senator Michael Shaw 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 Senator Michael Shaw, the West Virginia State flag displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Mason County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on the Twenty-sixth day of January, 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 Twenty-fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Nineteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Sixth year of the State.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Justice", is written over the bottom right portion of the page.