Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, the residents, patients, caregivers, nurses and other staff in our state's skilled nursing facilities are currently facing unprecedented challenges relating to COVID-19; and

Whereas, skilled nursing facilities throughout West Virginia have met these challenges with courage, determination, and love; and

Whereas, our skilled nursing facilities are worthy of celebration during National Skilled Nursing Care Week, May 10 to 16, 2020; and

Whereas, we honor and respect our elders and citizens of any age with physical or intellectual disabilities who reside in West Virginia skilled nursing facilities; and

Whereas, all citizens to virtually visit or call a loved one, family member or friend residing in any care setting and offer a kind word and spend time participating in various virtual activities to unite those from all walks of life in need of our continuing love and support; and

Whereas, West Virginia is committed to quality health care and we take this moment to thank West Virginia's skilled nursing facilities.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 10-16, 2020* as:

National Skilled Nursing Care Week

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance to honor and celebrate all residents, patients, caregivers, other staff, and volunteers in celebrating this special week.

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 Fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Seventh year of the State.



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By the Governor:

Mac Warner Secretary of State