Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, "National Preparedness Month" creates an important opportunity for every resident of West Virginia to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks; and

Whereas, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses, and communities can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities and in our nation; and

Whereas, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's *Ready* Campaign and other federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for emergencies and to educate individuals on how to take action; and

Whereas, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen and all West Virginians are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

Whereas, all West Virginians are encouraged to participate in citizen preparedness activities and become more prepared.

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

National Preparedness Month in West Virginia

and encourage all West Virginians to develop their own emergency preparedness plan and work together toward creating a more prepared society.

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 August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Eighth year of the State.



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