## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

#### EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

#### At Charleston

### **A PROCLAMATION**

# By the Governor

WHEREAS, John L. "Larrie" Bailey was born on the March 2, 1934, the son of the late John Washington Bailey and Carrie Elizabeth (Given); and

WHEREAS, Larrie Bailey earned the honor of Eagle Scout in his teen years and was selected to attend Mountaineer Boys State; and

WHEREAS, Larrie Bailey attended college at the University of South Carolina on a Naval ROTC scholarship, earning his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1955 and a Master's degree from West Virginia University; and

WHEREAS, Larrie Bailey served 3 years on active duty with the United States Navy, earning the rank of Lieutenant Commander; and

WHEREAS, Larrie Bailey served as the national vice-president for the Navy for the Reserve Officers' Association and earned the Armed Forces Reserve Medal and the West Virginia Meritorious Service Medal for his service with the National Guard, eventually retiring as the commanding officer of the Naval Reserve unit in Fairmont in July 1980; and

WHEREAS, Larrie Bailey was elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates, representing Lewis County in 1960; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Larrie Bailey was elected to serve as State Treasurer in 1976, serving a total of 4 terms ending in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Treasurer Larrie Bailey was a member of the Marino County Historical Society, Friends of Highgate, and the Pricketts Fort Memorial Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Treasurer Larrie Bailey, a committed and respected public servant and a

devoted son, husband, father, grandfather, friend, and neighbor, died on November 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Treasurer Larrie Bailey is survived by his wife, Joyce Kennedy Bailey; son,

David (Hollie Hubbert) Bailey; daughter, Anne (Bill) Bailey McCabe; and six grandchildren, Jack,

Brooks, and Lisette Bailey, Thomas Bailey, and Patrick and Catie McCabe, and he was preceded

in death by his parents and oldest son, John Kennedy (Holly) Bailey; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of West Virginia, friends, and colleagues of Treasurer

Larrie Bailey 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 Treasurer Larrie Bailey, the United States and West

Virginia State flags displayed on all State-owned facilities throughout West Virginia shall be

lowered to half-staff, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on the December 1, 2021,

the day of services celebrating his life.

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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.



By the Governor

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Thirtieth day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-One, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth year of the State.

GOVERNOR

**SECRETARY OF STATE** 

Mac Warner