## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

### **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

#### At Charleston

# **A PROCLAMATION**

### By the Governor

WHEREAS, Pete Whitfield Conley was born in Chapmanville, Logan County, West Virginia, on the July 14, 2021, the son of Moscoe Conley and Ollie May Farley Conley; and

WHEREAS, Pete Conley was an Army Corporal assigned to Company K, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 31<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment, 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Conley was reported missing in action when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir of North Korea on the December 12, 1950; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, through the Trump Administration's negotiations, North Korea turned over 55 boxes purported to contain the remains of American service members killed during the Korean War, Corporal Conley was number 25 of the 55; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Conley's remains were identified on the June 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Pete Conley made the supreme sacrifice for his country and brought honor to his family, to his community, to his State, and to his country, and this native son has now returned home.

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 on August 6, 2021, all United States and State flags displayed at all State facilities be displayed at half-staff from dawn to dusk in honor of Army Corporal Pete Conley.

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, on this the fifth day of August 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