Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, sports have played a broad role throughout our nation's history, functioning as both a forum for combating prejudice and a means of developing camaraderie; and

Whereas, it is appropriate to acknowledge the importance of sports in fostering identity and recognition, including among religious and ethnic groups, and expanding opportunities for acceptance for many minority and immigrant communities in the United States; and

Whereas, Jewish Sports Heritage Month is an opportunity to honor the many Jewish individuals who have contributed significantly to collegiate and professional sports as athletes, coaches, broadcasters, managers and in other major support roles; and

Whereas, the State of West Virginia is proud to commend the members of our Jewish community who have made and continue to make their mark in sports through their commitment to athletic excellence.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *April 2022* as:

Jewish Sports Heritage Month

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

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 Tenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth year of the State.



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Governor

By the Governor:

Mac Warner
Secretary of State