

# Proclamation

## by Governor Jim Justice

**Whereas,** promoting the positive mental health of all children, youth, and families is fundamental to the future of West Virginia; and

**Whereas,** children, youth, and families with mental health needs benefit from access to timely services and integrated supports that are family-driven, youth-guided, and culturally appropriate; and

**Whereas,** the state and community stakeholders continue to build a comprehensive, coordinated system of care for children, youth, and families, which integrates behavioral health, primary care, education, and child welfare; and

**Whereas,** it is appropriate that a week should be set apart to emphasize the importance of caring for every child's mental well-being and to reinforce the message that positive mental health is essential to a child's overall health and development.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 7-13, 2023* as:

### *Children's Mental Health Acceptance Week*

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 Twenty-fifth day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixtieth year of the State.



  
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Jim Justice  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

  
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Secretary of State