Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, summer camping provides children with the experiences needed for social and emotional growth and instills a great many principles that will serve them through the rest of their lives; and

Whereas, a summer camping experience builds the values of human connection, character, respect, compassion, self-esteem, tolerance, resilience, fairness, leadership, responsibility, honesty, and many others; and

Whereas, children learn best through the experience of these traits as demonstrated to them through leaders and role models; and

Whereas, camp volunteers selflessly give their time to ensure that every camper has a caring adult in their life who makes them feel loved, empowered, worthy, capable, included, valued and successful; and

Whereas, summer camps instill a sense of awe for the natural world and a sense of duty to care for and nurture our environment.

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

Summer Camping 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 Twenty-first 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:

Mac Warner Secretary of State