Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD), is a nerve disorder that causes severe chronic pain; and

Whereas, the symptoms of CRPS/RSD are often described as burning that is out of proportion to the severity of the initial injury and can include swelling and extreme sensitivity to touch; and

Whereas, while CRPS/RSD was first identified during the Civil War, it remains a poorly understood condition, and has no known cure; and

Whereas, the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, and other institutes of the National Institutes of Health, conduct research relating to CRPS/RSD; and

Whereas, members of the CRPS/RSD community will be spreading awareness in the month of November, and on November 4, 2024, will celebrate the tenth annual *Color the World Orange Day* to spread awareness of this poorly understood pain disorder.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **November 2024** as:

Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) Awareness Month

and November 4, 2024 as:

Color the World Orange Day

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join 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 Twelfth day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Second year of the State.

SEMPER TO SEMPER

Jim Justice Governor

By the Governor:

Mac Warner Secretary of State