Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, nearly one-quarter of West Virginians are over the age of 60 and the senior population of West Virginia continues to grow; and

Whereas, more than 300,000 West Virginians serve as unpaid caretakers for parents, spouses, and other aging adults; and

Whereas, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley was founded on May 1, 2014, as a volunteer-driven 501(c)3 nonprofit with the mission to provide necessary services for seniors over the age of 60 in Kanawha and Putnam counties; and

Whereas, since its inception, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley's volunteer services have grown to include free medical transportation, grocery shopping assistance, minor home repairs for safety, reassuring phone calls, outreach and connection opportunities; and

Whereas, over the past decade, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley volunteers have served 29,180 hours over 19,191 events with a real economic impact of \$699,439; and

Whereas, through initiatives such as Senior Christmas, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley works with other senior service providers to share holiday joy with older neighbors; and

Whereas, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley has become embedded in the senior care community and has consistently provided services to seniors, even during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley has grown in the number of volunteers and care receivers and is poised to enter the next decade of service stronger than ever; and

Whereas, On May 1, 2024, Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley celebrates 10 years of continuous service to seniors in Kanawha and Putnam counties.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 1, 2024* as:

Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley Day

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



Jim Justice

By the Governor:

Mac Warner
Secretary of State