Proclamation by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, having been employed as an entertainer, Union leader, governor of California and president of the United States; and

Whereas, Ronald Reagan served for two terms as the 40th president of the United States of America; the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election – a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

Whereas, in 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

Whereas, President Reagan's sunny optimism and strong belief in the power of the individual revitalized the nation in one of the longest economic expansions in American history; and

Whereas, President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces allowed America to achieve "peace through strength," and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st century challenge; and

Whereas, President Reagan's Berlin Wall speech helped end the Cold War and contributed to the demise of the Soviet Union, freeing millions of people from the shackles of communism; and

Whereas, February 6, 2024 will be the 113th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *February 6, 2024* as:

Ronald Reagan Day

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 Nineteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Three, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First year of the State.



Jim Justice Governor

By the Governor:

Mac Warner Secretary of State