# STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

### **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

#### At Charleston

# A PROCLAMATION

# By the Governor

WHEREAS, storms beginning on the twenty-eighth day of May, Two Thousand Eighteen, have brought significant rainfall, saturating the ground thorough parts of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, this storm system has caused rockslides, mudslides, and flooding, and has damaged homes, businesses, roads, and bridges in Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan, and Pendleton Counties; and

WHEREAS, certain portions of these counties have been rendered inaccessible because of public infrastructure damage and required evacuation, prompting Governor Justice to verbally declare a State of Emergency for those counties on the third day of June, Two Thousand Eighteen; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby FIND AND DECLARE that a State of Emergency exists in Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan, and Pendleton Counties of West Virginia, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days unless terminated by subsequent Proclamation. In response to this State of Emergency, I have INVOKED the emergency powers set forth in section six, article five, chapter fifteen of the Code of West Virginia; UTILIZED the Emergency Operations Plan. as necessary; ORDERED appropriate personnel and resources to mobilize and respond to the emergency; and DELEGATED certain administrative powers to the Director of the West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, as necessary, to facilitate the provision of essential emergency services.

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, in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eighteen, in the One Hundred Fifty-Fifth year of the State.

By the State

SECRETARY OF STATE

Mac Warner