

# **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**Charleston**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**By the Governor**

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of West Virginia sets forth the respective powers, duties, and responsibilities of the three separate branches of government; and

**WHEREAS**, Article VI, Section 22 of the Constitution of West Virginia provides that the current regular session of the Legislature shall not exceed sixty calendar days computed from and including the second Wednesday of January two thousand twenty-four; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article VI, Section 22 of the Constitution of West Virginia, the two thousand twenty-four regular session of the Legislature is scheduled to conclude on the ninth day of March, two thousand twenty-four; and

**WHEREAS**, Article VI, Section 51 of the Constitution of West Virginia sets forth the obligations of the Governor and the Legislature relating to the preparation and enactment of the Budget Bill; and

**WHEREAS**, Subsection D, Article VI, Section 51 of the Constitution of West Virginia requires the Governor to issue a proclamation extending the regular session of the Legislature if the Budget Bill shall not have been finally acted upon by the Legislature three days before the expiration of its regular session; and

**WHEREAS**, the Budget Bill has not been finally acted upon by the Legislature as of this seventh day of March, two thousand twenty-four;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM JUSTICE,** Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby issue this Proclamation, in accordance with Subsection D, Article VI, Section 51 of the Constitution of West Virginia, extending the two thousand twenty-four regular session of the Legislature for an additional period not to exceed one day, through and including the tenth day of March, two thousand twenty-four; but no matters other than the Budget Bill shall be considered during this extension of the regular session, except the matters detailed in section 14, article VII of this Constitution and a provision for the cost thereof.

**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, on this the Seventh Day of March, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four, and in the One Hundred Sixty-First Year of the State.



**By the Governor**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Justice", is written over the printed name of the Governor.

**GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mac Warner", is written over the printed name of the Secretary of State.

**SECRETARY OF STATE**