

SENATE RESOLUTION 24

(By Senators Smith (Mr. President), Jeffries, and
Taylor)

[Introduced March 12, 2025]

1 Designating March 13, 2025, as Tucker County Day at the Legislature.

2 Whereas, Tucker County was created in 1856, and is home to five incorporated
3 communities: Parsons, Davis, Thomas, Hendricks, and Hambleton; and

4 Whereas, Tucker County is an important contributor to the state in the industries of tourism
5 and outdoor recreation, as well as lumber and wood products; and

6 Whereas, The City of Parsons, the county seat, is located at the confluence of five rivers;
7 and

8 Whereas, On the 40th anniversary of the Great Flood of 1985, we honor the lives tragically
9 lost and celebrate the strength, courage, and spirit of our communities, whose efforts in the
10 aftermath of the flood stand as a testament to the enduring power of unity and recovery; and

11 Whereas, The ongoing construction of Corridor H (Route 48) through Tucker County is a
12 major investment in infrastructure, enhancing transportation, stimulating economic growth, and
13 fostering regional development for years to come; and

14 Whereas, Tucker County is home to three state parks, Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley,
15 and Fairfax Stone, two designated wilderness areas, Dolly Sods and Otter Creek, and the
16 Monongahela National Forest; and

17 Whereas, The preservation of Blackwater Canyon is a point of pride for Tucker County,
18 with the U.S. Forest Service's recent acquisition of 2,700 acres expanding public access,
19 protecting its unique features, and supporting recreation and tourism for future generations; and

1 Whereas, Tucker County has a rich history, a unique culture, and incredible natural beauty
2 that attracts visitors who seek authentic experiences; and

3 Whereas, The citizens of Tucker County travel to the state capitol on an annual basis
4 during the legislative session to participate in the democratic process, in which they share their
5 accomplishments, aspirations, and concerns with lawmakers; and

6 Whereas, It is fitting to recognize Tucker County for its history, culture, outdoor recreation,
7 and inspiring future in the state of West Virginia; therefore, be it

8 *Resolved by the Senate:*

9 That the Senate hereby designates March 13, 2025, as Tucker County Day at the
10 Legislature; and, be it

11 *Further Resolved,* That the Senate acknowledges the many contributions the citizens of
12 Tucker County make in the state of West Virginia and encourages those citizens to continue to
13 participate in the democratic process; and, be it

14 *Further Resolved,* That the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution
15 to the appropriate representative of Tucker County.