

# SENATE RESOLUTION 14

(By Senators Hamilton and Morris)

[Introduced January 23, 2026]

1 Recognizing James and Lucille Pennington for their outstanding work in West Virginia logging  
2 operations and being the recipients of the 2025 West Virginia Logger of the Year award.

3 Whereas, James and Lucille Pennington, owners and operators of J & L Trucking in  
4 Bartow, West Virginia, have been selected to represent the State of West Virginia as this year's  
5 2025 West Virginia Loggers of the Year; and

6 Whereas, The West Virginia Forestry Association award is presented for outstanding  
7 performance in the logging industry for demonstrating a company's commitment to safety,  
8 community involvement, and excellence in forest management; and

9 Whereas, James and Lucille are recognized for their hard work, exceptional logging skills,  
10 building a company based on honesty and safety, and acquiring an extensive list of landowners  
11 requesting J & L Trucking services to timber their land; and

12 Whereas, James and Lucille grew up in the logging industry from young ages, with Lucille  
13 being a second-generation logger. Together they share the operations and maintenance of the  
14 logging company, along with farming where they raise beef cattle and sheep; and

15 Whereas, James and Lucille Pennington believe in helping their community and have  
16 demonstrated their generosity by donating wood to a local toy maker, donating beef and firewood  
17 to families in need, and lending a helping hand when it is needed. They are also devoted  
18 supporters of the West Virginia Forestry Association; therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Senate:*

20 That the Senate hereby recognizes James and Lucille Pennington for their outstanding

1 work in West Virginia logging operations and being the recipients of the 2025 West Virginia Logger  
2 of the Year award; and, be it

3 *Further Resolved*, That the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to  
4 James and Lucille Pennington.