

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, in July people with disabilities and our supporters celebrate the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

Whereas, there are over 50 million people with disabilities of all ages living in communities throughout the United States; and

Whereas, the disability community has a critical interest in policies enacted at local, state, and national levels that effect the integration of people with disabilities, young and old, into our communities; and

Whereas, getting the disability community involved in influencing public policies is essential if these policies are to meet the real needs of people with disabilities to live in the community; and

Whereas, voting is one way for the disability community to exert their influence at local, state, and national elections; and

Whereas, there are multiple efforts to develop disability coalitions around the issue of voting; and

Whereas, REV UP America, Register – Educate – Vote Use your Power, is a national effort to encourage local and/or state disability community voting coalitions; and

Whereas, members of national disability rights community are organizing *National Disability Voter Registration Week* (NDVRW).

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **July 17 – 21, 2017** as:

National Disability Voter Registration Week

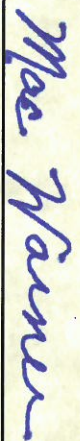
in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in supporting the growing involvement of the disability community in the political process.

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 Fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seventeen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Fifth year of the State.


Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State

