

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrically-related incidents; and
- Whereas,** property damage resulting from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than \$1.4 billion annually, and on average, there are 390 civilian deaths and \$1.4 billion of property damage related to electrical home structure fires each year; and
- Whereas,** an average of two deaths occurs in the United States daily from electrically related incidents; and
- Whereas,** following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed each year; and
- Whereas,** citizens are advised to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards and to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground-fault circuit interrupters, arc-fault circuit interrupters, surge protective devices, and tamper resistant receptacle; and
- Whereas,** citizens are urged to install, test and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms; and
- Whereas,** the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace through education, awareness, and advocacy.

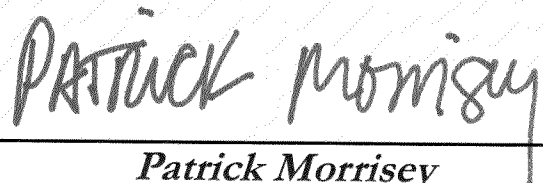
Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 2025* as:

Electrical Safety Month

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to observe the importance of establishing and practicing electrical safety habits in the home, school, and workplace to reduce the number of electrically-related fires, injuries, and deaths.

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 First day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Second year of the State.



Patrick Morrisey

Governor

By the Governor:



Kris Warner

Secretary of State