

# Proclamation

## by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer deaths of women in the United States and causes more deaths than any other gynecologic cancer; and
- Whereas,** in the United States, a woman's lifetime risk of being diagnosed with ovarian cancer is about 1 in 78; and
- Whereas,** the American Cancer Society estimates 20,890 cases of ovarian cancer will be newly diagnosed in 2025 and 12,730 individuals will die from the disease nationwide, including 110 new cases and 80 deaths in West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** the five-year survival rate for ovarian cancer is 50 percent and survival rates vary greatly depending on the stage of diagnosis; and
- Whereas,** there is not currently an effective diagnostic tool for screening and early detection does not exist; and
- Whereas,** there is an increasing need for greater awareness, education, and research to promote earlier detection, improve treatment outcomes, and provide support for women and families affected by ovarian cancer.

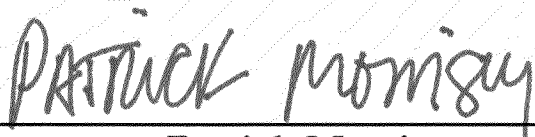
**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *September 2025* as:

### *Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month*

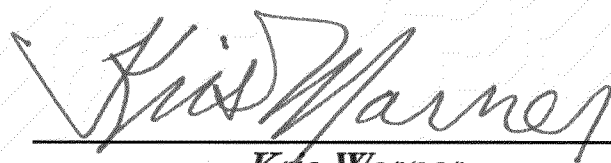
in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

**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 September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Third Year of the State.

  
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*Patrick Morrisey*  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

  
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*Kris Warner*  
Secretary of State