

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background who began his career as an actor, became a prominent union leader, was elected and served as the Governor of California from 1967 to 1975, and was elected to the Presidency of the United States in 1981; and
- Whereas,** upon taking office, he inherited a nation disillusioned from the pains of “stagflation,” facing a serious hostage crisis in Iran, and engaged in a global Cold War against the Soviet Union; and
- Whereas,** President Reagan’s sunny optimism, confidence in free market capitalism, and firm belief in the power of the American individual revitalized the nation in one of the strongest economic expansions in American history; and
- Whereas,** President Reagan’s second Presidential victory, in which he won 49 states and 525 electoral votes, which at 95.2% of electoral votes was the highest margin for an electoral college victory in history, exemplified the faith placed in him by the American people; and
- Whereas,** President Reagan’s pledge to defeat the “evil empire” of the Soviet Union at any cost allowed America to outspend, outsmart, and outcompete the Soviet Union and achieve “peace through strength” all around the globe, which prepared the American Armed Forces for the enduring conflicts of the late 20th and early 21st centuries; and
- Whereas,** President Reagan’s personal commitment to freeing the world from Communism was immortalized in his Berlin Wall speech, which helped end the Cold War and directly contributed to the downfall of the Soviet Union, thereby liberating millions of people from the shackles of authoritarianism; and
- Whereas,** February 6, 2026, will be the 115th anniversary of President Ronald Reagan’s birth.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **February 6, 2026**, as:

Ronald Reagan Day

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

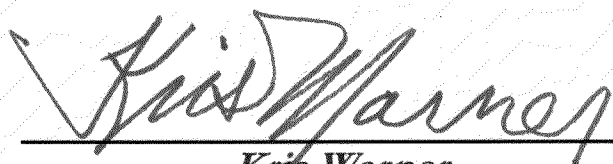
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Third year of the State.



Patrick Morrisey
Governor

By the Governor:



Kris Warner
Secretary of State