

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

Whereas, critical thinking is an essential skill that empowers individuals to think rationally and make informed decisions; and

Whereas, critical thinking fosters creativity, problem-solving, and independent thought, which are crucial in today's complex and rapidly changing world; and

Whereas, critical thinking encourages people to analyze and evaluate information from different perspectives and sources, helping to prevent misinformation and fake news; and

Whereas, critical thinking promotes responsible citizenship and contributes to the development of a more just and democratic society; and

Whereas, critical thinking is a lifelong skill that can be developed and improved through education, training, and practice.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim, *February 15, 2026*, as:

Critical Thinking Awareness Day

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in 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 Fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Six, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Third year of the State.



Patrick Morrisey
Governor

By the Governor:



Kris Warner
Secretary of State