

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** thousands of brave Service Members from West Virginia serve our nation's military, taking an oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; and
- Whereas,** while only the military wears the uniform, their entire family plays a vital role in the service to our state and nation; and
- Whereas,** the month of April marks the nationwide initiative known as the "*Month of the Military Child*," which honors, appreciates, and celebrates these remarkable and resilient youth; and
- Whereas,** on April 15th, everyone is invited to wear the color purple as part of "*Purple Up! Day*"; and
- Whereas,** purple is the color that symbolizes all branches of the military, as it is the combination of Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force blue, Marine red, and Navy blue; and
- Whereas,** this strong group of military youth across our great state will be encouraged as they see so many friends, families, schools, organizations, and communities wearing purple in their honor.

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

Month of the Military Child

and proclaim *April 15, 2026*, as:

Purple Up! 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 First Day of April, 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