

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to many aspects of American society: in medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, and military service; and
- Whereas,** since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of model citizenship and public service; and
- Whereas,** they brought with them to America their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our great democracy; and
- Whereas,** Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial American spirit that makes our nation free and prosperous; and
- Whereas,** the celebration of Arab American ancestry and cultural heritage educates our fellow Americans about the contributions to American society by Arab Americans; and
- Whereas,** these contributions by men and women of Arab descent have helped us build a better nation.
- Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *April 2026* as:

National Arab American Heritage Month

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

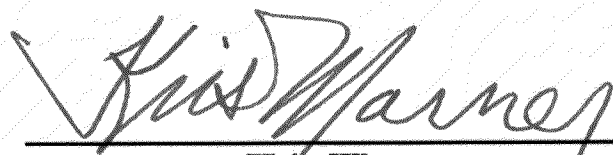
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

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