

# Proclamation

*by Governor Patrick Morrisey*

**Whereas,** nearly 21,500 people in West Virginia are estimated to be diagnosed with nonmelanoma skin cancer, the most common type of cancer in the U.S., in 2026; and

**Whereas,** nonmelanoma skin cancer risk factors include sun exposure, use of tanning equipment, prior skin cancer, family history, age, and others; and

**Whereas,** treatment options for nonmelanoma skin cancer include Mohs surgery, chemotherapy, cryotherapy, image-guided superficial radiation therapy, and others; and

**Whereas,** awareness of nonmelanoma skin cancer risk factors, preventative strategies, and available treatment options is crucial for early detection and improving patient outcomes throughout West Virginia, thereby underscoring the importance of this dedicated awareness week.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *May 4-8, 2026*, as:

## *West Virginia Nonmelanoma Skin Cancer Awareness Week*

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 Fourth Day of May, 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