

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** hunting and the shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** increasing access to shooting sports education provides opportunities to learn to shoot safely and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and
- Whereas,** West Virginians, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and
- Whereas,** sportsmen and hunters teach others to understand the responsibilities of owning and using a firearm, while also working to ensure that our natural resources are safeguarded; and
- Whereas,** this industry contributed as much as \$268 million to the West Virginia economy in 2025 and supported nearly 1,500 jobs.

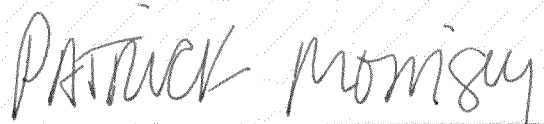
Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *August 2026* as:

Shooting Sports Month

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

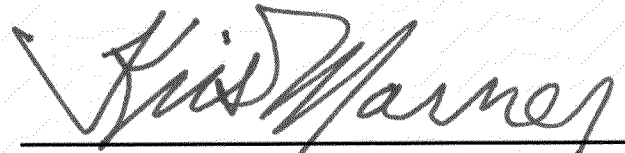
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Thirty-First Day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Six, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Fourth Year of the State.



Patrick Morrisey
Governor

By the Governor:



Kris Warner
Secretary of State