

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

Whereas, more than 43 million Americans cannot read or write at the most basic level and 62.7 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in post-secondary education; and

Whereas, every year, one in three young adults drops out of high school; and

Whereas, the American Action Forum estimates that America faces a shortage of approximately 7.5 million private sector workers across all skill levels; and

Whereas, adult education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for a career or college; and

Whereas, adult education programs in high schools, adult schools, community colleges, and community centers offer low-cost, high-value programs that upgrade the skill sets of our citizens; and

Whereas, the Great State of West Virginia celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week and encourages its citizens to learn about all of their adult education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *September 14-18, 2026*, as:

Adult Education and Family Literacy Week

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

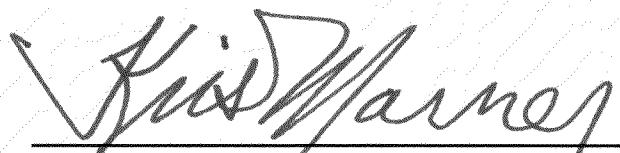
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Second Day of September, 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