

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** breast cancer is one of the most common diagnoses among women worldwide, affecting millions of individuals and families; and
- Whereas,** this year, an estimated 382,640 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States, and of those, 42,140 women will not survive; and
- Whereas,** early detection, regular screenings, and advancements in medical research significantly improve survival rates and treatment outcomes; and
- Whereas,** women ages 50-74 who receive regular mammograms have a 26% lower risk of dying from breast cancer compared with women who do not get screened; and
- Whereas,** public education campaigns empower individuals to learn their risks, schedule routine mammograms, and support those currently navigating a diagnosis or survivorship; and
- Whereas,** breast cancer is the most common cancer in American women, approximately 30% of all new cancer diagnoses in women will be breast cancer; and
- Whereas,** we recognize the courageous individuals, caregivers, advocates, and healthcare professionals dedicated to prevention, treatment, and finding a cure; and
- Whereas,** we urge all citizens to join in recognizing the importance of early detection, supporting local awareness efforts, and honoring those affected by breast cancer.

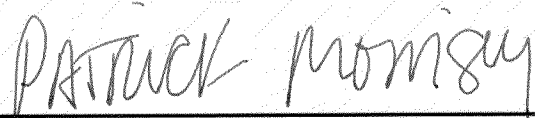
Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *October 2026* as:

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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

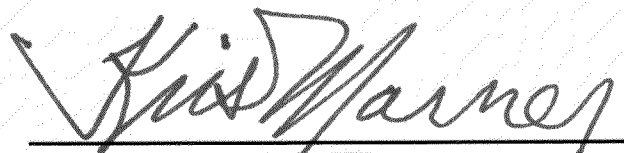
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the First Day of October, 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