

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** hunting, firearms, and shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** increasing access to education and shooting sports provides the opportunity to safely learn to shoot 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,** thousands of West Virginia residents, 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,** the firearm industry has contributed as much as \$268 million to West Virginia's economy in 2024 and supported 1,500 jobs.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim **August 2025** as:

National Shooting Sports Month

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this 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 August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Third year of the State.



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Governor

By the Governor:

Kris Warner

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Secretary of State