STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, beginning on February 5, 2025, a severe rainstorm occurred causing flooding and road blockages throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, on that day, in accordance with my authority as Governor, I declared a State of Preparedness for all 55 counties of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the severe rainstorm and associated high winds in Cabell and Kanawha Counties caused flooding, downed trees, power outages, and road blockages; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the storm pose a severe and continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of Cabell and Kanawha Counties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with my authority as Governor, it has been deemed necessary and beneficial to declare a State of Emergency, pursuant to West Virginia Code § 15-5-6, for Cabell and Kanawha Counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICK MORRISEY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby FIND AND DECLARE that a State of Emergency exists

and continues in Cabell and Kanawha Counties of West Virginia, said State of Emergency to remain in effect for thirty days unless terminated by subsequent Proclamation. In response to this State of Emergency, I have INVOKED the emergency powers set forth in West Virginia Code § 15-5-6; UTILIZED the Emergency Operations Plan, as necessary; ORDERED appropriate personnel and resources to prepare to mobilize and respond to any emergency that may develop; and DELEGATED certain administrative powers to the Director of the West Virginia Emergency Management Division, as necessary, to facilitate the provision of essential emergency services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

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DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this Sixth Day of February, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, in the One Hundred Sixty-Second Year of the State.

GOVERNOR

SECRETÁRY OF STATE