

# *Proclamation*

*by Governor Joe Manchin III*

**Whereas,** the month of June will mark the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Outdoors Month as declared by President George W. Bush; and,

**Whereas,** the mission of this month is to promote healthier lifestyles to combat obesity, volunteerism to strengthen our communities and our shared legacy of parks and forests, protection of our environment and enjoyment of the great outdoors; and,

**Whereas,** West Virginia is home to several of the country's best outdoor activities which include 48 parks, white water rafting and biking trails; and,

**Whereas,** with all the activities to take advantage of in the Mountain State, West Virginians and citizens from across the nation can enjoy the many opportunities and beauty that our state has to offer;

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Joe Manchin III, Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *June 2007*, as:

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in the Mountain State and urge all West Virginians to enjoy the outdoors.

**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 Twenty-third day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seven, and in the One Hundred Forty-fourth year of the state.



*Joe Manchin III*  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

*Betty Ireland*  
Secretary of State