

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, Phyllis H. Carter, of Charleston, West Virginia, the Acting Executive Director of the West Virginia Human Rights Commission, died on the eighteenth day of January, Two Thousand Fourteen; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis H. Carter was appointed to the West Virginia Human Rights Commission by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin on the seventh day of March, Two Thousand Eleven, to serve as its Acting Director and to continue her service as its Chief Administrative Law Judge; and

WHEREAS, Judge Phyllis Carter had previously served the State of West Virginia as Commissioner, Department of Human Services; Executive Director, Division of Juvenile Services; Director of Federal-State Relations; as an Assistant Attorney General; and as House Counsel to committees of the West Virginia Legislature, and was active in community and civic affairs in which she committed herself to the empowerment of women and the elimination of racism; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter, the First Lady of West Virginia State University at Institute, West Virginia, from Nineteen Hundred Eighty-Seven to Two Thousand Twelve, left a notable legacy at that institution with her commitment to history and culture and the arts, and her service resulted in the establishment of the Booker T. Washington Institute and the creation of the West Virginia State University National Center for Human Relations; and

WHEREAS, Judge Phyllis Carter throughout her distinguished career was the recipient of numerous national and community awards and honors for her work and commitment to endeavors for the improvement of society and the betterment of others, and the effect of her contributions will endure; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of West Virginia wish to recognize the service of Judge Phyllis H. Carter, a committed and respected public servant.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **ORDER** that in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of Judge Phyllis H. Carter, all State flags displayed on the Capitol Complex grounds in Charleston, and on State-owned facilities throughout the County of Kanawha, be displayed at half-staff from dawn until dusk on Saturday, the twenty-fifth day of January, Two Thousand Fourteen, the day of her memorial service.

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 in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the twenty-fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-First year of the State.

Earl Ray Tomblin

GOVERNOR

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Natalie E. Bennett

SECRETARY OF STATE