

Proclamation

by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin

- Whereas,** for the past 100 years, the United States Department of Labor has fostered, promoted and developed the welfare of wage earners, job seekers and retirees of this country; and
- Whereas,** the United States Department of Labor has continually sought to make the American workplace safer, healthier and fairer for everyone; and
- Whereas,** working families in West Virginia, across the country and across the world have benefited from the United States Department of Labor's efforts to assure work-related benefits and rights, including the right to be paid fairly for every hour labored; and
- Whereas,** the United States Department of Labor has evolved to meet the changing needs of a changing workforce by partnering with employers, community organizations and institutions of higher learning to improve job training, provide lifelong learning opportunities and advance efforts for profitable employment; and
- Whereas,** the impact of the United States Department of Labor has reached outside the confines of the workplace, touching people's lives at all stages, by allowing parents to take leave and tend to love ones, training veterans and young people for their careers, and guaranteeing the pensions of retired workers; and
- Whereas,** the inestimable value of the services provided by the United States Department of Labor will remain of paramount importance to the well-being of all Americans and that it will address tomorrow's conditions and meet the needs of future workers with the same insight, foresight and passion it has shown for the past century.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Earl Ray Tomblin, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *March 4, 2013*, as the:

Centennial Anniversary of the United States Department of Labor

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 Twenty-First day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Thirteen, and in the One Hundred Fiftieth year of the State.



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Governor

By the Governor:
Natalie E. Tennant

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Secretary of State