

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

At Charleston

PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, the death of United States Senator Robert C. Byrd on June 28, 2010, created a vacancy in this State's representation in the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, section four-a, article ten, chapter three of the West Virginia Code requires a special election to fill the unexpired term to be held concurrently with the general election of November 2, 2010; and

WHEREAS, section four-a, article ten, chapter three of the West Virginia Code requires the Governor to immediately issue a proclamation calling a special primary election on August 28, 2010, and general election on November 2, 2010.

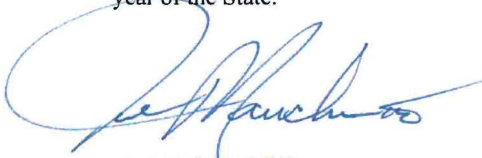
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOE MANCHIN III, GOVERNOR of the State of West Virginia, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by law, and in accordance with section four-a, article ten, chapter three of the West Virginia Code, do hereby proclaim the following:

1. The unexpired term of the late United States Senator Robert C. Byrd shall be filled by election on November 2, 2010, in accordance with section four-a, article ten, chapter three of the West Virginia Code.
2. A special primary election shall be held on August 28, 2010, for the purpose of nominating political party candidates in accordance with section four-a, article ten, chapter three of the West Virginia Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed this nineteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord 2010.

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this nineteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten, and in the One Hundred Forty-Eighth year of the State.




GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE