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## West Virginia Dietetic Association Day at the Legislature

**Charleston, W.Va.** — The West Virginia Dietetic Association and Governor Earl Ray Tomblin will host a coffee/tea and media availability on Monday, March 5, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. on the first floor of the Governor's Mansion. A representative from Governor Tomblin's office will issue a proclamation celebrating National Nutrition Month and National Registered Dietitian Day afterward.

Dietitians are experts in food and nutrition, and will be available to discuss our state's ongoing obesity epidemic.

The West Virginia Dietetic Association (WVDA) is a professional organization for Registered Dietitians (RD's) who are committed to serving the public through the promotion of optimal nutrition, good health and well-being. WVDA celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. It was officially recognized and approved by the American Dietetic Association to function as a state affiliate in 1942. Our vision is to "positively impact the health of West Virginians through food and nutrition." The mission of the WVDA is to "empower members to be West Virginia's food and nutrition leaders."

WHAT: Governor Tomblin is expected to issue proclamation celebrating National

**Nutrition Month and National Dietitian Day** 

WHEN: 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012

WHERE: The Governor's Mansion

WHO: Members of the WV Dietetic Association (Registered & Licensed Dietitians),

representative from Governor Tomblin's office, (invited) Secretary of State Natalie Tennant and elected representatives from the Kanawha Valley

For more information about the West Virginia Dietetic Association, please visit www.eatrightwv.org