

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, during this week, lives of companion animals will be saved at numerous adoption events and through spay and neuter opportunities; and

WHEREAS, during this week, activities will provide information about adopting your pets from animal shelters, promoting responsible animal ownership, low cost vaccinations/services, volunteering in the community; and

WHEREAS, during this week, supporting organizations will be in hospitals and assisted living facilities during this special week, bringing joy to the patients who need and appreciate the love of therapy animals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week October 12-20, 2013 as

Tennessee Week for the Animals

and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this thirtieth day of September, 2013.

Governor

Secretary of State