

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth and families today is fundamental to the future of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services for children, youth and families places upon our community a critical responsibility; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts towards our children's health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Voices for Children, through its unique approach to serving children and adolescents, is effectively caring for the mental health needs of children, youth and families in Tennessee;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2016 as

Children's Mental Health *Awareness* Day

in Tennessee 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 twentyfourth day of March, 2016.

Governor

Secretary of State