

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee recognize the sacrifice of the members of our armed services and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom; and

WHEREAS, we remember the families who have lost their loved ones in combat; and

WHEREAS, Private Evans Overbey, of Elizabethton, Tennessee, was killed on November 19, 1942 while serving his country in World War II; and

WHEREAS, Overbey served with the 93rd Bombardment Squadron, 19th Bombardment Group in the United States Army Air Forces; and

WHEREAS, at age 25, Overbey was reported to be captured in the fall of Corregidor and died from malnutrition and medical neglect while imprisoned in a Japanese encampment; and

WHEREAS, Overbey's remains will be returned to his native state and laid at rest in Mountain Home, Tennessee on July 15, 2016; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful to finally welcome home this brave soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim July 15, 2016 as a

Day of Mourning in Remembrance of Private Evans Overbey

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this solemn 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 eighth day of July, 2016.

Governor

Secretary of State