



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee farmers are key contributors to the food supply to nourish the world's growing population; and

WHEREAS, agriculture remains one of the most dangerous occupations in the United States, with a high risk for injury and death due to accidents with machinery and livestock; and

WHEREAS, every day, about 167 agricultural workers in the United States suffer lost-work-time injury; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee farmers make it a priority to uphold safe and healthy practices on farms; and

WHEREAS, the third week in September has long been recognized as National Farm Safety & Health Week; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee recognizes the importance of promoting knowledge, tools and resources necessary to mitigate risks on our farms; and

WHEREAS, The Tennessee Agricultural Safety and Health Partnership, a multi-organizational statewide group, has been formed to raise farm safety and health awareness and education with "Take the High Road- Safety" being this year's focus;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of September 18-24, 2016 as

Farm Safety & Health Week

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 twenty-ninth day of August, 2016.

Bill Haslam

Governor

Joe Hargett

Secretary of State