



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, the chiropractic profession promotes musculoskeletal health and overall wellness through a patient-centered, whole-person approach which provides great interaction, timely communication for appropriate diagnosis and cost-effective treatment planning;

**WHEREAS**, doctors of chiropractic (DCs) are physician-level health care providers with particular expertise in the prevention, care and rehabilitation of musculoskeletal injuries and conditions who encourage their patients and the public to maintain healthy lifestyles;

**WHEREAS**, DCs advocate for a conservative approach to health care with emphasis on more cost-effective and safer approaches, over potentially addictive medications for pain management and health enhancement;

**WHEREAS**, DCs recognize through clinical experience and research that a sedentary, overmedicated lifestyle is especially dangerous for joint health, wellness and longevity;

**WHEREAS**, DCs are recognized worldwide for the benefits of their chiropractic services to patients which provide simple ways to enhance strength and avoid pain and injury in everyday life, while helping them reach optimal levels of health and wellness naturally, without the need of unnecessary drugs and surgery;

**WHEREAS**, Chiropractic Health Month serves as a reminder to all citizens of Tennessee that they, too, may overcome pain naturally, get healthier and become active with the help of a chiropractic physician;

**WHEREAS**, the Tennessee Chiropractic Association has offered support to thousands of citizens employed in chiropractic across the state for 81 years for the benefit of millions of Tennesseans;

**WHEREAS**, the Tennessee Chiropractic Association joins with the American Chiropractic Association in proclaiming the month of October 2016 as National Chiropractic Health Month;

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

*Chiropractic Health Month*

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 Regatt*

Secretary of State