



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, the United States plays a pivotal role in protecting human rights; and

**WHEREAS**, respect for basic human rights is important in fostering human dignity and freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Tennessee and the Tennessee Human Rights Commission are proud of their commitment to guarantee civil and human rights for all residents; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous community, civil, religious and non-profit organizations work to ensure equal rights and protections for all individuals;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2016, as

## *Human Rights 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 sixth day of October, 2016.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Haslam".

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sue Parag".

Secretary of State

