



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, an excellent public education system is vital to the quality of life of Tennessee's communities and to the economic development of the State; and

WHEREAS, school board members represent a tremendous resource as local decision makers and diligently work to overcome the challenges of a changing world while providing students with the services and opportunities needed for a quality education; and

WHEREAS, school board members strive to ensure that every student graduates high school prepared for college and the workplace; and

WHEREAS, school board members support and appreciate the efforts of students, educators and administrators whose diligent efforts have led to Tennessee being recognized as the fastest improving state in academic performance as measured by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP); and

WHEREAS, the men and women of our local school boards are elected by the people to make decisions most appropriate for their communities and deserve recognition and thanks for their countless hours of service to public education in Tennessee;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of January 22-28, 2017 as

School Board Appreciation 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 tenth day of November, 2016.

Bill Haslam

Governor

John Hargett

Secretary of State