

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, every year Tennesseans face severe weather threats from flash floods, flooding, hailstorms, lightning, thunderstorms and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, severe weather is a danger to life, health and property; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and education about the threat of severe weather is necessary to help every Tennessean prepare to protect themselves, their families and their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, local, state and federal departments and agencies, along with elected leaders, news media, professional associations and volunteers, are committed to informing and educating all Tennesseans about severe weather preparedness; and

WHEREAS, all Tennesseans need to understand the importance of preparedness and to have situational awareness about the threats around them; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, the Tennessee offices of the National Weather Service, and the Tennessee Department of Health encourage all Tennesseans to learn about severe weather safety;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of February 26 through March 4, 2017 as

Severe Weather Awareness 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 sixth day of February, 2017.

Governor

Secretary of State