



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the third Saturday in April, "National Auctioneers Day," is recognized by auctioneers across the world as a day to reflect back on one of history's oldest professions and celebrate the profession's rich history and traditions, as well as its future; and

WHEREAS, businesses and nations have depended on the professional services of auctioneers for centuries, entrusting auctioneers with their most valued and prized possessions for sale; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate National Auctioneers Day to commemorate the profession's history and celebrate the work of those who built the foundation for this industry's future; and

WHEREAS, auctions and the age-old profession of auctioneering continue to grow every year, and it is estimated that approximately a quarter-trillion dollars in goods and services are sold by live auction every year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, online or on the lawn (and on television), auctions continue to grow in popularity with consumers, with bidders enjoying the thrill of competition with an auction and the rush that comes with the chase for treasures; and

WHEREAS, auctions can be effective and efficient means of turning assets into cash quickly, as well as a source of fun and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Auctioneers Association and its members strive to advance the auction method of marketing and upholding the highest standards of the professionalism in serving the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim April 15, 2017, as

Auctioneers 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 twenty-first day of February, 2017.

Bill Haslam

Governor

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Secretary of State