



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, internal auditing is an independent, objective assurance, and consulting activity designed to add value and improve an organization's operations and protect stakeholders of both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, internal auditing is an established profession, with a globally recognized code of ethics and International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing; and

WHEREAS, internal auditing is an increasingly sophisticated and complex activity requiring specialized knowledge, training, and education; and

WHEREAS, internal auditors add value to their respective organizations as independent and objective professionals who identify and manage risks; provide assurance for compliance with laws, regulations, and policies; ensure controls are in place and working appropriately; and address instances of organizational fraud, waste, and abuse; and

WHEREAS, The Institute of Internal Auditors, the internal audit profession's most widely recognized advocate, educator, and provider of standards, guidance, and certifications, celebrates its 76th anniversary in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the global internal audit profession promotes awareness about its value and the contribution of internal auditors to the success of organizations and the global economy at large, every year during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, Internal Audit Awareness Month presents an opportunity to recognize, acknowledge, and commend the efforts and contributions of all internal auditors in corporations, not-for-profit organizations, and in state and local governments throughout the great state of Tennessee;

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

Internal Audit Awareness 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 thirteenth day of March, 2017.

Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Bergt in blue ink.

Secretary of State