



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) is a nerve disorder that causes chronic pain; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of CRPS are often described as burning that is out of proportion to the severity of the initial injury and can include swelling and extreme sensitivity to touch; and

WHEREAS, while CRPS was first identified during the Civil War, it remains a poorly-understood condition; and

WHEREAS, a cure has not yet been found; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2017, members of the CRPS/RSD community will be celebrating the third annual "Color The World Orange Day" to spread awareness of this poorly understood pain disorder;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim November 6, 2017 as

*Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
Awareness 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-second day of March, 2017.

Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Hargett in blue ink.

Secretary of State

