



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the 59th Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry is held in Paris, Tennessee, and is sponsored by the Paris/Henry County Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, over 11,000 pounds of catfish have been ordered to serve the thousands of visitors that will attend this year's World's Biggest Fish Fry; and

WHEREAS, community participation and support of this event brings the community together in many ways: visitors get involved by attending the IPRA rodeo, beauty pageants, carnival, catfish race, arts and crafts show, demolition derby, square dance, small fry parade, junior fishing rodeo, and the Grand Parade; and

WHEREAS, the Henry County High School Patriot Football Team, who brought home the first ever TSSAA Class 5A State Championship for Paris-Henry County, will serve as Grand Marshall of the Grand Parade; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Hostess Princess, Katelyn Hamlin, and her court 2 First Maid Rachel Edwards, Second Maid Kaylee Clark, Third Maid Hannah McFadden, and Fourth Maid Shelby Beloate - will be in the Grand Parade; and

WHEREAS, this annual event is sponsored by the Paris/Henry County Jaycees, and this year's 2011 Fish Fry Board of Directors are General Manager Mickey Eaton, Andrea Lamb, Cathey Williams, David Stone, Kristian Elliott, Loria Plunk and Traci Raymer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim April 22-28, 2012 as,

WORLD'S BIGGEST FISH FRY 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 26th day of April, 2012.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Jeannie Hargett in blue ink.

Secretary of State