



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, home health and safety hazards, including physical safety hazards, lead-based paint, radon, mold, pests, and allergens, cause or contribute to a wide range of illnesses and diseases, including lead poisoning, asthma, cancer, and injuries;

WHEREAS, lead poisoning has affected thousands of Tennessee's children under six;

WHEREAS, Tennesseans are injured every year by avoidable accidents in the home;

WHEREAS, poisoning is the #1 cause of injury-related death in the U.S.; and, many Tennesseans are at risk from chemicals stored and used improperly in the home;

WHEREAS, over 100 Tennesseans were affected by carbon monoxide poisoning in the past 3 years;

WHEREAS, many Tennessee families and households are unaware that their homes can have serious health hazards; and

WHEREAS, education and awareness about the dangers of unhealthy or unsafe housing can save Tennessee lives; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee citizens and government officials are observing this month with appropriate programs and activities designed to enhance public awareness of home health and safety hazards and the ways we can protect our families from these hazards;

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

Healthy Homes 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 twelfth day of May, 2017.

Governor

Secretary of State

