



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Confederate soldiers are remembered for their great loyalty to comradeship and country; and

**WHEREAS**, in lawful and dignified measures, the South sought an honorable separation, and with equally honorable acquiescence in its failure, re-entered the Union to defend its honor and maintain its glory forever; and

**WHEREAS**, all states should hold our government true to the landmarks which our forefathers have set;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2017 as

*Confederate Decoration 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 thirty-first day of May, 2017.



*Bill Haslam*

Governor

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Secretary of State