

STATE OF TENNESSEE

P R O C L A M A T I O N

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, baton twirling is a national movement that provides thousands of youth girls and boys motivation and opportunity for a safe, fun, and challenging environment for both physical fitness and mental and personal growth; and

WHEREAS, In Tennessee, baton twirling has produced many national and international level champions and twirlers, including Claudette Riley Sisk, who is the only majorette to ever be inducted into the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, baton twirling is instrumental in building the confidence, character, poise, and selfesteem of each and every participant, whether youth or mature, male or female; and

WHEREAS, during the week of July 25-29, 2017 twirlers from across the nation will compete in the National Baton Twirling Championships at the University of Notre Dame and the America's Youth on Parade Festival;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim July 23-29, 2017 as

<mark>Baton Twirli</mark>ng 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 ninth day of June, 2017.

Governor

Secretary of State

