



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Hydrocephalus is the buildup of fluid in the cavities (ventricles) deep within the brain where the excess fluid increases the size of the ventricles and puts pressure on the brain, caused most often by an obstruction preventing proper fluid drainage; and

WHEREAS, the pressure of too much cerebrospinal fluid associated with hydrocephalus can damage brain tissues and cause a large spectrum of impairments in brain function; and

WHEREAS, the medical community reports about one-of-every 500 children is born with this incurable condition; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, the United States Congress passed a Resolution designating the month of September as National Hydrocephalus Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Chapter of the Hydrocephalus Association strives to raise public awareness of hydrocephalus and provides information about this disease; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the National, Regional, and State Hydrocephalus Association, in conjunction with leaders from professional, community, and medical-based organizations and associations, are dedicated to increasing public awareness of hydrocephalus and the needs of families parenting children and adults newly diagnosed with hydrocephalus;

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

Hydrocephalus 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 seventh day of August, 2017.



Bill Haslam

Governor

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Secretary of State