

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, bullying can be physical, verbal, or emotional and is intentional harm that unnecessarily hurts a person or group of people; and

WHEREAS, bullying may occur anywhere, not only in public places but also through social media, such as Facebook and Twitter; and

WHEREAS, victims of bullying are highly likely to suffer from physical, emotional and learning problems, and often fear activities such as going to school, making new friends, and attending community events; and

WHEREAS, bullies often continue violent behaviors into their future; and

WHEREAS, witnesses of bullying often feel insecure, afraid and intimated; and

WHEREAS, citizens are encouraged to become aware of this prevalent issue and become active participants against bullying;

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

<mark>Bullying Preve</mark>ntion 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 second day of October, 2017.

Governor

Secretary of State