

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, we all can think of someone in history, in our community, or in our own family who has served in the United States military; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans have the opportunity to unite together each year on November 11th and pay tribute to the men and women who have worn the cloth of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, 99 years ago, a treaty was signed by Germany and the Allies that ended World War I, and we now commemorate the conclusion of the "War to End all Wars" as a legal national holiday; and

WHEREAS, there are almost 20 million Veterans in the Nation who faced great disruption in their own lives because of their commitment to fight for our country as a member of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, when we have engaged in War or when we have savored peacetime, when our Country has responded to crises abroad or on our own soil, our country is where it is today because of the oath our Veterans made; and

WHEREAS, we should live inspired to dedicate ourselves to the ideals that those who have served in the Armed Forces have sacrificed so much to protect; and

WHEREAS, deserving of the full support of all citizens, we extend our gratitude to Veterans in Tennessee, and in our Nation, for the contributions our Veterans have made to progress the freedom and the future of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 11, 2017 as

Veterans Day

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to honor 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 eighteenth day of October, 2017.

Governor

Secretary of State