



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee recognize the sacrifice of the members of our armed services and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom; and

WHEREAS, we remember the families who have lost their loved ones in combat; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jacob M. Schwallie was born in Clarksville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie is a 2007 graduate of Rossvie High School in Clarksville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie enlisted in the United States Army in October 2008; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie served with C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie previously served one tour in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie deployed with his unit to Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Schwallie is the recipient of the Tennessee Fallen Heroes Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart Medal, and the NATO ISAF Medal; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jacob M. Schwallie was killed in the line of duty on May 7, 2012, when his military vehicle was struck by a roadside bomb in Ghanzi province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jacob M. Schwallie is survived by his parents Melinda and Thomas C. Schwallie, his sister Rachel Schwallie, his brother Stuart Schwallie, and his grandmothers Etta Schwallie Roach and Bettye Pyron, and was preceded in death by his grandfathers Jim Schwallie and Joe Mack Pyron;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim May 12, 2012, as a Day of Mourning in Tennessee in remembrance of Sergeant Jacob M. Schwallie and encourage all citizens to join me in this solemn 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 eleventh day of May, 2012.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Lee Hargett in blue ink.

Secretary of State