



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, myasthenia gravis is a disorder causing extreme muscle weakness which can impact a person's ability to see, smile, walk, talk, and breathe, and it is often misdiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, this condition can be managed by medication and other treatments for most MG patients; and

WHEREAS, although rare, the condition can be fatal in some cases; and

WHEREAS, largely due to its rarity - approximately 100,000 people are living with MG in the United States today – patients often go undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc. (MGFA) is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1952; and

WHEREAS, the MGFA'S mission is to facilitate the timely diagnosis and optimal care of individuals affected by myasthenia gravis and to improve their lives through programs of patient services, support groups, public information, medical research, professional education, advocacy and patient care;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June, 2018 as

Myasthenia Gravis 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 eleventh day of June, 2018.



Bill Haslam

Governor

Joe Hargett

Secretary of State