



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, many local animal shelters in Tennessee are over capacity; and

WHEREAS, approximately 8 to 10 million animals enter shelters nationwide every year, and approximately 3 to 4 million are euthanized, and

WHEREAS, all shelter pets need a loving, safe, and happy home; and

WHEREAS, there are many dogs and cats housed in Tennessee animal shelters that are available and awaiting the opportunity to be an affectionate companion; and

WHEREAS, it is also vital to raise awareness of the need for proper spay & neuter programs as well as the importance of providing good veterinary care for our pets;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim August 18, 2018 as

Homeless Animals Day

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 third day of July, 2018.

Bill Haslam

Governor

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Secretary of State