



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, Ensign Harold P. DeMoss of Nashville, Tennessee, was presumably killed on June 23, 1945 while serving his country in World War II; and

WHEREAS, DeMoss, age 21, was serving as a member of Fighting Squadron 100 (VF-100) from Naval Air Station Barbers Point in Oahu, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, DeMoss was flying a F6F-3 Hellcat on a night training mission with two other aircraft when his plane went missing; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful to finally welcome home this brave soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2018 as a

*Day of Mourning in Remembrance of
Ensign Harold P. DeMoss*

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 twelfth day of September, 2018.



Bill Haslam

Governor

Jeffrey B. Blanton

Secretary of State