



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the United States Navy protects and defends America on the world's oceans by ensuring the free flow of commerce and information on and under the sea lanes to assure the security of the United States economy and jobs at home; and

WHEREAS, the United States Navy is deployed around the world and around the clock, uniquely offering the capability to provide presence to prevent and deter wars; and

WHEREAS, the United States Navy is ready to defend America at all times through its investments in cutting-edge technology and focus on operational ingenuity and optimizing resources; and

WHEREAS, The USS Tennessee (SSBN 734) is a source of pride and honor for the people of our state; and

WHEREAS, many men and women from Tennessee are serving and have served with honor and distinction over the years in the Navy and Navy Reserve; and

WHEREAS, citizens are encouraged to celebrate Navy Week, June 3-9, by becoming aware of our U.S. Navy through meetings and demonstrations from the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, U.S. Navy Parachute Demonstration Team "Leap Frogs," Navy Meteorological and Oceanographic Command, Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal and Dive teams, USS Tennessee Sailors, Navy Band, The Navy Ceremonial Guard, USS Constitution Sailors, Naval History and Heritage Command and the incredible men and women who serve in the Navy on active duty and Navy Reserve;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of June 3-9, 2019 as

United States Navy Week

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 twentieth day of March, 2019.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Vargitt

Secretary of State