



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) affects between 200 and 400 children in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, brain tumors are the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in children; and

WHEREAS, DIPG is the second most common malignant brain tumor found in children and the leading cause of childhood death due to brain tumors; and

WHEREAS, prognosis has not improved for children with DIPG in more than 30 years, but new medical technology and research finally offer hope for treatments for children affected with this disease; and

WHEREAS, leading Tennessee based medical institutions are on the forefront of fighting cancer and researching cures; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is pleased to help increase public awareness of this deadly childhood cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2019 as

*Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma
(DIPG) Awareness 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 twenty-fourth day of April, 2019.



Bill Lee

Governor

Scotty Kuyatt

Secretary of State