



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the United States has been at the forefront of civil and human rights of individuals since its inception; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge, skills and contributions of our fellow citizens with disabilities are assets to our American system; and

WHEREAS, in these days of tremendous national and international challenges, we cannot afford to underestimate the abilities of any citizen; and

WHEREAS, working together, we can ensure that every American will be provided the access and opportunity to be part of all that society offers; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the 22nd anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the progress that has occurred;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim July, 2012, as

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT TWENTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY 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 25th day of July, 2012.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Ruggitt in blue ink.

Secretary of State