



STATE OF TENNESSEE
P R O C L A M A T I O N
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, John Sevier was born on September 23, 1745 in colonial Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in 1771 John Sevier settled along the Holston River in east Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, John Sevier served as a colonel in the Revolutionary War and fought towards the decisive victory for the United States in the 1780 Battle of Kings Mountain; and

WHEREAS, John Sevier played a vital role in the establishment of the state of Tennessee and was elected as the first governor of this great state in 1796, and

WHEREAS, John Sevier served as governor for six terms; and

WHEREAS, John Sevier was also elected to the U.S. House of Representatives where he represented Tennessee from 1811 until his death in 1815; and

WHEREAS, John Sevier is remembered as an accomplished statesman and a patriot for his service to the United States and Tennessee, and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Code Annotated § 15-2-110 requires the Governor to proclaim June 23 of each year as "John Sevier Day";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2019 as

John Sevier 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-third day of June, 2019.

Bill Lee

Governor

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Secretary of State