



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 26, 2012, as

## AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

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.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Bill Haslam', written over a horizontal line.

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Joe Hargett', written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State