



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the quality and safety of healthcare in the United States of America is of vital importance to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans desire and deserve appropriate, safe, effective, affordable, compassionate, and high quality healthcare; and

WHEREAS, healthcare quality professionals play a key role in the design, implementation, measurement, and continuous improvement of quality and safety initiatives that benefit patients and communities throughout the nation and our state; and

WHEREAS, responsibility for the quality of this country's healthcare rests in part with the healthcare quality professional; and

WHEREAS, healthcare quality professionals are increasing their commitment to provide the highest quality of patient care; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Healthcare Quality has established a special week to celebrate healthcare quality; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Association for Healthcare Quality has shown a commitment to support the healthcare quality professionals in our state and this initiative; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee also wishes to acknowledge this special week in recognition of the invaluable contributions of Tennessee's healthcare quality professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 14-20, 2012, as

HEALTHCARE QUALITY 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 26th 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 Raytt", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State

