



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, healthy lifestyles of Tennessee children today will fortify the welfare and progress of the state in the future; and

WHEREAS, numerous state and local partners collaborate to offer community-driven support and resources to families while promoting health and safety among Tennessee's children and residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has a longstanding history of promoting child health, including the Physical Education Act requiring elementary schools to provide at least 60 minutes of physical education for students each week, with the curriculum taught by a certified physical education teacher; and

WHEREAS, Childcare providers seeking the 3-star level in the Child Health and Well-Being component of the Tennessee Department of Human Services Star-Quality Report Card Program are required to be Gold Sneaker certified and implement Gold Sneaker policies, and

WHEREAS, Child Health Day is a national event first proclaimed by President Calvin Coolidge in 1928; and

WHEREAS, dedicating a week to the health and well-being of children will encourage a lifelong pattern of healthy living; and

WHEREAS, all Tennesseans can positively impact the well-being of children through the encouragement and promotion of healthy lifestyles;

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

Child Health Month

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 ninth day of September, 2019.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Hargett

Secretary of State