



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 56,000 people in the United States are diagnosed with pancreatic cancer each year and over 45,000 are likely to die from the disease;

**WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer is one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths in the United States;

**WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just nine percent;

**WHEREAS**, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages, and about 65 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis;

**WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related deaths worldwide; and

**WHEREAS**, the good health and well-being of the residents of Tennessee are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes and effective treatments;

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

*Pancreatic Cancer Awareness 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 seventh day of October, 2019.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

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Secretary of State

