



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, doctors of chiropractic (DCs) are health care providers who focus on the whole person and have particular expertise in the prevention and care of musculoskeletal injuries; and

WHEREAS, musculoskeletal injuries in general are one of the biggest health and safety problems in America today, with back pain alone contributing to more than \$50 billion in health care costs yearly; and

WHEREAS, doctors of chiropractic instruct patients on proper conditioning and warm-up and cool-down procedures, as well as appropriate safety equipment, which can substantially reduce injuries; and

WHEREAS, doctors of chiropractic are recognized worldwide for their health and wellness enhancing and injury-prevention services, which are valued in particular by athletes in high school, college, and professional sports who must perform at optimal levels; and

WHEREAS, millions of regular patients benefit from the same chiropractic services as elite athletes and also are able to optimize function in their work and personal lives with the help of their local doctor of chiropractic; and

WHEREAS, National Chiropractic Health Month each October serves as a reminder to all citizens of Tennessee that they too can "Find Their Game" and perform at their best with the expert care and services provided by doctors of chiropractic; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Chiropractic Association has offered support to thousands of Tennesseans employed in chiropractic practices across the state for 77 years for the benefit of the millions of Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Chiropractic Association officially joins with the American Chiropractic Association in proclaiming the month of October 2012 as National Chiropractic Health Month;

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

CHIROPRACTIC 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 4th day of September, 2012.

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

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joe Rye", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State

