



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® is sponsored by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) at the National Institutes of Health, in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in accordance with other federal and private partner organizations, to encourage teens to ask questions about drugs, drug abuse, alcohol, and alcoholism, and receive scientifically based facts and answers in return; and

WHEREAS, from this day forward, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® will occur with an annual seven-day celebration, anchored by NIDA's and NIAAA's, National Drugs & Alcohol Chat Day, an annual event that provides high school students across the United States with the opportunity to ask questions of the Nation's leading experts in the field of drug abuse, alcohol, and addiction via a web "chat."; and

WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® is a celebration of the inquisitive minds of teenagers and encourages them to ask questions regarding drugs, drug abuse, alcohol, and alcoholism and get scientifically based answers, without judgment or biased comment; and

WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® celebrates the efforts of national and community organizations working with teens to encourage this science-based conversation about drugs, drug abuse, alcohol, and alcoholism;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 30-April 5, 2020 as

Drug and Alcohol Facts 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 sixth day of March, 2020.

Bill Lee

Governor

Scott Westcott

Secretary of State