



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, on May 20, 2019, First Lady Maria Lee introduced Tennessee Serves, a statewide initiative designed to engage Tennesseans in serving one another and their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee Serves is a three-part plan to serve those in need, highlight the countless people and organizations already serving, and mobilize even more Tennesseans to meet the needs of those around them; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee Serves strives to serve needs across the state, with a special focus on Tennessee's federally designated distressed counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee Serves highlights people and organizations to recognize them and to also inspire others to get involved; and

**WHEREAS**, lives and communities can be changed when neighbors help neighbors; and

**WHEREAS**, a day of service encourages Tennesseans to carry out the Tennessee Serves motto of "serving our state, by serving your community, by serving one person at a time";

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2020 as

*Tennessee's Day of Service*

and encourage all Tennesseans to join me in answering the call to serve.



**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 fifteenth day of May, 2020.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Justin Barnett*

Secretary of State