



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, home health and safety hazards, including physical safety hazards, lead-based paint, radon, mold, pests, and allergens, cause or contribute to a wide range of illnesses and diseases, including lead poisoning, asthma, cancer, and injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, lead poisoning can negatively impact development of children, especially those under age six; and

**WHEREAS**, accidents in the home hurt thousands of people in our state every year; and

**WHEREAS**, children are often harmed as a result of chemicals stored and used improperly in the home; and

**WHEREAS**, across the country, on average, at least 430 die each year from carbon monoxide poisoning and 50,000 more visit emergency rooms due to this serious household threat; and

**WHEREAS**, many of our state's families and households are unaware that their homes can have serious health hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, education and awareness about the dangers of unhealthy or unsafe housing can save lives and protect families;

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

*Healthy Homes 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 sixteenth day of June, 2020.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Lee Hargett*

Secretary of State