



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, September 17, 2012, marks the two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the delegates to the Constitutional Convention of 1787; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution is a brilliantly designed timeless work of law that provides the basis for our institutions of government and protects our fundamental freedoms; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

**WHEREAS**, public law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2012 as

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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 seventeenth day of September, 2012.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Sue Herath in blue ink.

Secretary of State