



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, a Traumatic brain injury (TBI) occurs when a sudden trauma causes damage to the brain and can result when the head suddenly and violently hits an object, or when an object pierces the skull and enters brain tissue; and

WHEREAS, everyone is at risk for a TBI, especially children and older adults; and

WHEREAS, a concussion is a brain injury in which recognition and proper response can help prevent further injury and even death; and prevention is the only known cure; and

WHEREAS, the State Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Program was established by the Tennessee General Assembly to address the needs of those individuals who have sustained a brain injury, as well as their families and primary caregivers; and

WHEREAS, organizations across our state are striving to increase awareness of brain injury, thus making prevention and safety measures part of the American culture in an effort to decrease the number of brain injuries;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

*Traumatic Brain Injury
Awareness 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 eighteenth day of February, 2021.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Lee".

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lu Wengert".

Secretary of State

