



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, X-Linked Hypophosphatemia (XLH) is a lifelong, rare genetic disorder that can affect the patient's bones, joints, teeth, hearing, and muscles; and

WHEREAS, XLH affects about one in 20,000 newborns according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH); and

WHEREAS, the effects of the disease can cause serious and debilitating symptoms that have a major impact on the lives of those people who suffer from XLH and their families; and

WHEREAS, patients affected by XLH and their families often encounter a variety of problems outside the illness itself, such as difficulty in obtaining accurate and timely diagnoses; and

WHEREAS, XLH is not a curable disease, however dedicated researchers around the world continue their efforts to understand how genetic mutations work with the hope that a cure will be found one day; and

WHEREAS, XLH Network Inc. is a non-profit organization in support of caregivers and patients affected by XLH;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2021 as

XLH Awareness Day

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 seventh day of May, 2021.

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

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Fitzgerald".

Secretary of State

