



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators have been instrumental in serving the citizens of Tennessee by providing behind the scenes support for emergency response and other critical needs; and

WHEREAS, volunteer amateur radio operators provide excellent emergency communications for numerous state and federal agencies including the National Weather Service, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, Tennessee Department of Health, American Red Cross, and other agencies in times of natural disasters and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, by continuous learning and experimentation, including use of new digital and satellite communication technologies, amateur radio operators have helped to forward the science of electronics and radio related communications; and

WHEREAS, by example, teaching and practical experience, including the opportunity to communicate with amateur radio operators in space, amateur radio operators teach young people the opportunities available in radio and electronics; and

WHEREAS, the American Radio Relay League is the national association for amateur radio and will hold their annual Field Day on June 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this event is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the amateur radio operators' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of June 20 – June 26, 2021 as

Amateur Radio Week

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 twentieth day of May, 2021.

Bill Lee

Governor

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Secretary of State