



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation which causes the brain to have less or no ridges & folds, making its surface appear smooth; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that around 1 in 100,000 individuals are born with this condition; and

WHEREAS, people living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy, swallowing difficulties, as well as developmental delays; and

WHEREAS, addressing a patient's complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children at home; and

WHEREAS, the Lissencephaly Foundation Inc. is a non-profit charitable organization that helps to support these individuals through empowerment and education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 8, 2021 as

Lissencephaly 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 twenty-seventh day of May, 2021.



Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Vargot

Secretary of State