



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Blue Star Families annually designates the last week in September as Blue Star Welcome Week; and

WHEREAS, during this week we recognize the approximately 600,000 active-duty and transitioning military families who move to new communities each year; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these “permanent change of station” (PCS) moves occur during the summer; and

WHEREAS, only 27% of military family respondents to the 2020 Military Family Lifestyle Survey reported that they feel a sense of belonging to their local civilian community; and

WHEREAS, a sense of belonging is important to the wellbeing and readiness of active-duty military families; and

WHEREAS, we commit to ensuring that military families feel a strong sense of belonging to their local civilian communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of September 25 -- October 3, 2021 as

Blue Star Welcome 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 twenty-sixth day of July, 2021.

Bill Lee

Governor

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Secretary of State

