



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma (blood cancers) currently afflict more than one million people in the United States, with an estimated 140,310 new cases diagnosed each year; and

**WHEREAS**, blood cancers will kill an estimated 53,010 people in the United States this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), through voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and the support for those that suffer from them; and

**WHEREAS**, LLS maintains a state office in Nashville to support patients with these diseases and their family members in the State of Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Tennessee is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of its citizens that suffer from them; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Tennessee encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that address these diseases;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 2012 as

## LEUKEMIA, LYMPHOMA & MYELOMA 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 1st day of September, 2012.



*Bill Haslam*

Governor

*Joe Hargrett*

Secretary of State