



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, there are 9,181 physical therapists, 3,780 physical therapist assistants, and over 500 students in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the practice of physical therapy aims to transform society by optimizing movement to improve the human experience; and

WHEREAS, the state of Tennessee encourages options for an active and healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Physical Therapy Association speaks for the best interests of the public in recommending physical therapy by a licensed physical therapist to achieve physical health; and

WHEREAS, through a national effort, American Physical Therapy Association Tennessee and community members are encouraged to join together to raise awareness of the importance of preventive health during the month of October 2021; and

WHEREAS, this effort will bring awareness to our community, and around the country, of healthier and more active lifestyles and provide alternative treatments to expensive surgeries and the side effects of medications in order to help those live with less pain;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

Physical Therapy 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 seventh day of September, 2021.

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

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Dargatz".

Secretary of State

