



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to a growing craft beer industry that supports local farmers, manufacturing, and distribution businesses; and

WHEREAS, more than 120 breweries call Tennessee home, employing 9,500 people, and impacting the state's economy by \$1.3 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's number of licensed breweries has increased 100% since 2016; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of craft beer is increasing on a local, national, and international level and playing a large role in the revitalization of communities through tourism and new businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and Tennessee Craft Brewers Guild are working in collaboration to position Tennessee as a premier craft beer state; and

WHEREAS, established in 2021, the Farm to Tap initiative of the Tennessee Craft Brewers Guild, in partnership with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, is dedicated to the awareness, promotion, and advancement of local farm products used by craft brewers; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Craft Beer Day is an opportunity to celebrate the Volunteer State's craft beer business and its positive impact;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby recognize May 13, 2022 as

Tennessee Craft Beer 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 tenth day of May, 2022.

Bill Lee

Governor

John R. Hargett

Secretary of State