



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the bald eagle was designated as America's national emblem on June 20, 1782, at the Second Continental Congress; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is unique to North America and represents the American values of freedom, courage, strength, spirit, justice, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is the central image used in the Great Seal of the United States and in the logos of many branches of the U.S. Government, including the Presidency, Congress, Defense Department, Treasury Department, the Justice Department, State Department, Department of Commerce and U.S. Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle's image and symbolism have played a significant role in the beliefs, traditions, religions, lifestyles, and heritage of individuals from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle has been represented in American art, music, literature, architecture, commerce, education, culture; and on United States stamps, currency, and coinage; and

WHEREAS, once endangered with possible extinction the bald eagle was delisted from Endangered Species Act protection in 2007 but continues to be protected under the Bald & Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2022 as

American Eagle 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 seventeenth day of May, 2022.



Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Reger

Secretary of State