



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, the Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) will gather in Memphis for its 59th Annual Meeting from August 3-5, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, ACWA is an independent, nonpartisan, national organization of state and interstate water program directors who implement the water quality programs of the Clean Water Act and ensure clean and safe water across our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, 2022 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Clean Water Act, which is aimed to prevent, reduce, and eliminate pollution in the nation's water in order to "restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the Nation's waters"; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Tennessee are dependent on clean water to protect public health; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee's abundant lakes, rivers, and streams provide its citizens with numerous recreational and commercial opportunities and greatly enhance their quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, clean water plays a vital role in the economic prosperity of Tennessee by supporting agriculture, commerce, industry, and tourism; and

**WHEREAS**, we welcome ACWA to Memphis and encourage all the citizens of Tennessee to work together to value and protect clean water as a vital resource for our State;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim August 1-7, 2022, as

*Clean Water Appreciation 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 seventh day of July, 2022.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Lee Hargett*

Secretary of State