

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee's children need the emotional and financial support of both parents; and

WHEREAS, the support of parents, extended families, and the community helps children grow into healthy, productive adults; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is committed to promoting the health and well-being of all of its children by helping parents provide child support on a regular and timely basis; and

WHEREAS, child support services and promotion of parental responsibility are part of the Department of Human Services' priorities to strengthen families; and

WHEREAS, it is important that a month should be set apart for the direction of our thoughts toward a child's needs, well-being, interests, and future success; and

WHEREAS, such established observations give us an occasion to educate and to inform on child support services, to encourage increased community involvement, and to focus on the unity of Tennessee for the collection of child support for our children; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee salutes parents who support and uplift their children and honors the child support professionals across Tennessee who helped collect child support for the children of Tennessee during state fiscal year 2022;

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

Child Support Hwareness Month

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

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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 first day of August, 2022.

Governor

Secretary of State