



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, approximately 31,700 elderly and disabled nursing home patients depend on skilled caregivers to enhance their abilities rather than their disabilities while providing comprehensive care that upholds their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, approximately 37,000 Tennessee nursing home caregivers provide 24-hour care to those who are chronically ill or injured and are unable to function independently; and

WHEREAS, member nursing homes of the Tennessee Health Care Association (THCA) are providing special recognition of their employees in celebration of Nursing Home Caregiver Appreciation Day in Tennessee through a program themed "1 of a Kind";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim November 16, 2012, as

NURSING HOME CAREGIVER APPRECIATION 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 13 day of November, 2012.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Hight in black ink.

Secretary of State