

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Americans recognize that it is important to protect loved ones with life insurance, with surveys indicating that 68 percent agree that most people need coverage; and

WHEREAS, the life insurance industry pays an estimated \$90 billion in 2020 to beneficiaries, providing a tremendous source of financial relief and security to families that experience the loss of a loved one; and

WHEREAS, despite the importance that people place on life insurance and the peace of mind that it brings to millions of American families, there are still too many Americans who lack adequate coverage and there is a clear need for better communication about life insurance policies across all generations of Americans; and

WHEREAS, 80 million Americans who say they need life insurance do not own it; and

WHEREAS, life insurance coverage can provide certainty and ensure no one has to face tough times alone and as consumers look to ease their anxiety and safeguard family finances; and

WHEREAS, life insurance is a foundational tool for financial resilience and financial legacy for the next generation, helping keep homes and pay for college after a parent is lost; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance joins other state and national insurance regulators in designating September 2022 as "Life Insurance Awareness Month," whose goal is to consider the need for life insurance protection in order to achieve a financially secure future for their loved ones;

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

Life Insurance Hwareness Month

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 twenty-eighth day of September 2022.

Governor

Secretary of State