

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, lung cancer is by far the leading cause of cancer death among both men and women, comprising 25% of all cancer deaths; and

WHEREAS, each year, more people die of lung cancer than of colon, breast, and prostate cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has one of the highest lung cancer rates in the country; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 42,200 Tennesseans will receive a lung cancer diagnosis in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the five-year survival rate for Tennesseans diagnosed with lung cancer, regardless of stage, is 21.2%; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer greatly improves survival rates;

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

Lung Cancer Awareness 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 third day of October 2022.

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Governor

Secretary of State