



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to a growing craft beer industry that supports local farmers, manufacturing, and distribution businesses; and

WHEREAS, more than 120 breweries call Tennessee home, employing 9,500 people, and impacting the state's economy by \$1.3 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's number of licensed breweries has increased 100% since 2016; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's craft beer industry is revitalizing communities through tourism and emerging businesses; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of craft beer is increasing on a local, national, and international level; and

WHEREAS, established in 2021, the Farm to Tap initiative of the Tennessee Craft Brewers Guild, in partnership with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, is dedicated to the awareness, promotion, and advancement of local farm products by craft brewers; and

WHEREAS, the annual Craft Brewers Conference is an opportunity for the Volunteer State to welcome craft beer industry professionals from across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and Tennessee Craft Brewers Guild are working in collaboration to position Tennessee as a premier craft beer state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim May 7, 2023 as

Craft Beer Brewers' 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 seventeenth day of April 2023.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Rusk

Secretary of State

