



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee recognizes Older Tennesseans Month in May in accordance with Older Americans Month as proclaimed by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Community Living; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to a growing number of older adults who have demonstrated strength and resiliency throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, older Tennesseans are vital members of our society who deserve to thrive in their communities and live as independently as possible; and

WHEREAS, the number of residents age 60 and older in Tennessee is projected to increase by approximately 25 percent over the next decade; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is committed to supporting our older residents, their families, and their caretakers; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is engaging in a high-level, multi-sector planning effort to ensure preparedness in meeting the needs of this large and rapidly growing population in the coming decade; and

WHEREAS, all Tennesseans are urged to celebrate older adults for their contributions to society;

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

Older Tennesseans 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 eleventh day of May 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Lee".

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Lee Herd".

Secretary of State

