

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, gardeners have a passion for nurturing the beauty and resources of the earth through the planting of seeds and caring of plants; and

WHEREAS, gardeners seek to add beauty, splendor, fragrance, and nutrition to our lives through the growing of foliage, flowers, herbs, fruits and vegetables; and

WHEREAS, gardeners work to preserve our Country's traditional spirit of independence and initiative through innovation and hard work; and

WHEREAS, gardeners understand the importance of all creatures (large or small) and their role in a balanced and productive ecology; and

WHEREAS, gardening furnishes a challenging and productive activity for individuals regardless of skill level or experience; and

WHEREAS, gardening promotes a healthy lifestyle that can last a lifetime;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 4-10 as

Garden Week

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 tenth day of May 2023.

Governor

Secretary of State