



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Turner Syndrome (TS) is a chromosomal condition that occurs when one of the two X chromosomes normally found in females is missing or contains structural defects; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no known cause for TS, which affects approximately one out of every 2,500 live female births; and

WHEREAS, there are over 70,000 women and girls with TS living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of TS can vary depending on the severity of the chromosomal defect, but almost all girls and women with the syndrome experience ovarian failure and infertility; and

WHEREAS, other characteristics of TS may include congenital heart disease, osteoporosis, type II diabetes, obesity and non-verbal learning disabilities; and

WHEREAS, TS awareness month will also provide the opportunity to share experiences and information with the general public to raise awareness about TS to provide support and comfort to those living with the disorder;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2013 as

TURNER SYNDROME 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 seventh day of January, 2013.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bill Haslam".

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lee Hargett".

Secretary of State