



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, born on February 6, 1911, was a man of humble background, served in the United States Army Reserves, and was employed as an entertainer, governor of California and president of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Reagan served two terms as the 40th president of the United States of America; the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election - a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1981, when Reagan was inaugurated President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

**WHEREAS**, Reagan's sunny optimism and strong belief in the power of the individual revitalized the nation in one of the longest economic expansions in American history; and

**WHEREAS**, Reagan's commitment to our armed forces allowed America to achieve "peace through strength," and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st century challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, President Reagan's Berlin Wall speech marked the end the Cold War and contributed to the demise of the Soviet Union, freeing millions of people from the shackles of communism;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in an effort to honor the former President and his legacy of service to the United States, I Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim February 6, 2024 as

*Ronald Reagan 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 eleventh day of January 2024.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Joe Rought*

Secretary of State