

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, each year Tennessee experiences severe weather including flooding, high wind, extreme temperatures, thunderstorms, and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is recovering from the devastating impacts of seven major disaster declarations in 2023; and

WHEREAS, severe weather can claim lives and destroy property; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency and the Tennessee offices of the National Weather Service are working together to reduce the possible dangers as a result of severe weather; and

WHEREAS, with proper preparation and education, we can increase the safety of ourselves and our loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans should take this opportunity to review their severe weather risk and take steps to prepare ahead of disasters;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of February 25 to March 2, 2024 as

Severe Weather Hwareness 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 fifteenth day of February, 2024.

Governor

Secretary of State