



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, an influx of Scots-Irish immigrants seeking political, economic, and religious refuge arrived in the Appalachian Mountain region; and

WHEREAS, Scots-Irish immigrants were some of the first pioneers to settle in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Scots-Irish immigrants also brought with them a unique culture and introduced new forms of folklore, art, music, dance, and religion to Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, these traditions and practices are deeply ingrained in Southern Appalachian culture; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Code Annotated § 15-2-108 requires the governor to proclaim June 24 of each year as "Scots-Irish Heritage Day";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 24, 2024 as

Scots-Irish Heritage 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 twentieth day of February 2024.



Bill Lee

Governor

John R. Berg

Secretary of State