



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, in 1935, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt officially proclaimed “World Trade Week” as a national observance by the U.S. Government; and

WHEREAS, every year since, the President of the United States has declared the third full week in May as “World Trade Week”; and

WHEREAS, the federally appointed Tennessee District Export Council is using this opportunity to build recognition and awareness to highlight the role of trade in our own state’s economy; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 Tennessee's exports totaled approximately \$38.1 billion; and

WHEREAS, top export markets for Tennessee products last year include Canada, Mexico, China, Netherlands, Japan, and Germany; and

WHEREAS, over \$106.9 billion in products such as pharmaceuticals, computer equipment, motor vehicles, and motor vehicle parts, were imported from international markets to Tennessee in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee District Export Council will be celebrating Tennessee companies through a program highlighting the “Global Power of Entertainment” and the valuable role our state’s businesses play in this conversation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim May 19-25, 2024, as

World Trade 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 seventeenth day of May, 2024.

Bill Lee

Governor

Julia [Signature]

Secretary of State