



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Women Veterans Appreciation Day is observed on June 12 in the United States, to commemorate the anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, enacted on June 12, 1948; and

**WHEREAS**, recognition of this special day both raises awareness and reminds the public of the service and sacrifice of women who serve in the United States Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS**, since the Revolutionary War women have served in every branch and component of the military; and

**WHEREAS**, according to The Department of Veterans Affairs, Women Veterans is the fastest growing demographic of Veterans in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating the achievements of Women Veterans honors the dedication of women who defy convention and break barriers, and serves to highlight their courage and resilience, which will help inspire future generations of women to serve and lead in the military;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2024 as

## *Women Veterans Appreciation 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 third day of June, 2024.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Juana Rodriguez*

Secretary of State