



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, October 7, 2024, marks one year since the horrific terror attacks against the Nation of Israel and the Jewish people; and

**WHEREAS**, on the morning of October 7, 2023, more than 3,000 Hamas terrorists attacked Israel and committed crimes against humanity, resulting in the deaths of more than 1,200 men, women, elderly, and children and 250 hostages kidnapped and taken into Gaza; and

**WHEREAS**, in the days following October 7, 2023, anti-Israel protests across the world, including on many American streets and college campuses, featured antisemitic chants and support for Hamas; and

**WHEREAS**, 101 hostages, including Americans Keith Siegal (64), Sagui Dekel-Chen (35), Omer Neutra (22), and Edan Alexander (20) and the bodies of Judy Weinstein, Itay Chen, and Gad Haggai remain in Gaza held by Hamas; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout history, Jewish people across the globe have faced unspeakable persecution, and the October 7, 2023, terror attacks perpetrated by Hamas and the ensuing rise of antisemitism worldwide are stark reminders of the immense tragedy the Jewish people have endured; and

**WHEREAS**, we mourn the innocent lives lost since October 7, 2023, and continue to lift the many victims and their families up in prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee has a long history of supporting the Nation of Israel and will always stand with Israel and the Jewish people;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby declare and proclaim October 7, 2024, as

*October 7th Remembrance 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 seventh day of October 2024.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Joe Bergott*

Secretary of State