



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and adopting conscientious habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer, and more sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS, although there has been a significant increase in the amount of recycling in Tennessee to date, we must continue to focus on other initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, and purchasing recycled products; and

WHEREAS, it is crucial to maintain a comprehensive statewide solid waste management system by working closely with stakeholders to create and implement environmentally sound solid waste collection, treatment, and disposal through source reduction, reuse, recycling, and other methods; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee recycling and manufacturing sectors, utilizing the top four recyclable commodities, provide more than 77,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all Tennesseans become involved in recycling activities and learn more about the many recycled and recyclable products available to consumers; and

WHEREAS, recycling saves precious energy, conserves valuable natural resources, protects the environment, reduces landfill needs, and creates a positive economic impact;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2024 as

Recycling Awareness 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 twelfth day of November 2024.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Wright

Secretary of State