



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, hope is a powerful force that sustains life, motivates individuals toward recovery, and strengthens families and communities across Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's Day of Hope celebrates the role of hope in overcoming behavioral health challenges, including addiction and mental illness, and honors those who support others on the journey to wellness; and

WHEREAS, individuals with lived experience of recovery and wellness demonstrate courage and resilience, selflessly sharing their stories to inspire others and reduce stigma in communities throughout our state; and

WHEREAS, partners from community behavioral health providers, local governments, faith-based organizations, prevention coalitions, and peer support networks have risen to meet the needs of Tennesseans struggling with life's challenges; and

WHEREAS, the collective efforts of these partners have helped to expand access to prevention, treatment, and recovery resources that empower individuals to thrive and contribute to the life of our state; and

WHEREAS, all Tennesseans can reflect on the importance of compassion, support, and the promise of hope for all who are hurting;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 10, 2026 as

Tennessee's Day of Hope

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 twenty-fourth day of February 2026.



Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Wright

Secretary of State