



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics are critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone their local emergency communications district; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are often the first and among the most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are a vital link for our police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and helping insure their safety; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators have contributed to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators exhibit compassion, understanding and professionalism;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of April 14-20, 2013, as

Telecommunicators 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 twenty-fifth day of March, 2013.

Bill Haslam

Governor

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Secretary of State