



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, as medical technology advances, healthcare facilities must keep pace by providing quality, well-trained professionals capable of understanding the complexity of medical equipment operation and applications; and

**WHEREAS**, the complexity of medical technology today and in the future makes it essential that those individuals responsible for the care, safety, and accuracy of this equipment are recognized as an invaluable resource to the healthcare industry; and

**WHEREAS**, biomedical equipment technicians, clinical engineers, and other healthcare technology management professionals uniquely serve patients, the medical community, and new technology development to improve the quality of today's healthcare; and

**WHEREAS**, these professionals research, recommend, install, inspect, and repair medical devices and other complicated medical systems, as well as advise and train others concerning the safe and effective use of medical devices, thereby controlling healthcare costs and improving patient safety; and

**WHEREAS**, biomedical equipment technicians, clinical engineers, and other healthcare technology management professionals are united by a common goal to increase the understanding and beneficial use and management of instrumentation and technology in healthcare;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2013 as

*Healthcare Technology Management 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-seventh day of March, 2013.

*Bill Haslam*

Governor

*Joe Knight*

Secretary of State