



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee's Office of Emergency Medical Services provides a vital health service in emergency care and ambulance transportation of the injured, ill and infirm; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services consist of a system of organized care involving emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, nurses, physicians, firefighters, rescue squad members, dispatchers, pilots, educators and administrators; and

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee benefit daily from the dedication, knowledge and skill of these qualified individuals; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee hospitals now operate trauma centers, burn centers, air ambulances and special care units to meet the needs of injured and ill patients; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's emergency departments and emergency personnel continue to improve care for pediatric patients through the Emergency Medical Services for Children program; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical service providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week;

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

Emergency Medical Services 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-ninth day of April, 2013.

Bill Haslam

Governor

Lee Hargett

Secretary of State