



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, lakes and reservoirs are among Tennessee's most valuable natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, lakes and reservoirs provide drinking water, irrigation, energy, recreation, scenic beauty, and habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, these beneficial uses have been of vital importance to Tennessee's history, growth, and financial health; and

**WHEREAS**, our lakes and reservoirs improve the quality of life for all Tennesseans, and their importance should not go unnoticed; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Tennessee recognizes the need to protect these lakes and reservoirs for future generations;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2013 as

*Lakes Appreciation Month*

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 fourteenth day of June, 2013.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Bill Haslam'.

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Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Joe Wright'.

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Secretary of State

