



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Ovarian cancer is a deadly disease affecting women, which often presents with limited and non-specific signs and symptoms and is therefore usually diagnosed at an advanced stage in the disease process; and

**WHEREAS**, Ovarian cancer is diagnosed annually in nearly a quarter of a million women globally, and is responsible for 140,000 deaths each year; and

**WHEREAS**, The great state of Tennessee has an active, productive ovarian cancer survivor population who are working to educate women and healthcare providers about the signs and symptoms of Ovarian Cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of communities worldwide will be celebrating September as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the people of Tennessee, I support the mission of the Ovarian Cancer Awareness Foundation, and salute the survivors and those who support them;

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

## *Ovarian Cancer Awareness 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 twenty-first day of August, 2013.

Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Sue Holtz in blue ink.

Secretary of State