



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, September is Childhood Obesity Month and the Worldwide Day of Play is an annual event designed to encourage children and parents to turn off the television and play, especially outdoors; and

WHEREAS, sponsored internationally by the Nickelodeon cable television network, Worldwide Day of Play seeks to influence children to be physically active by getting their schools and educational organizations to host an event to get out and be active; and

WHEREAS, today's children and adults do not get as much physical activity as they should; and

WHEREAS, nutritious diets and physical activity are an important component to living a healthy lifestyle and reducing disease; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 19, 2013, all City of Memphis community centers and Shelby County middle and elementary school aftercare programs have been encouraged to set aside an hour for physical fitness activity and let the children enjoy the local parks and playgrounds near their facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, proclaim September 21, 2013 as

Worldwide Day of Play

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 fifth day of September, 2013.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Julie Hight in blue ink.

Secretary of State