



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, the United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters® Program, created by Public Law 110-456, produces circulating quarters emblematic of a national park or other site in each state, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories; and

**WHEREAS**, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park quarter is the twenty-first released into circulation as part of the program; and

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee is home to a community of dedicated teachers who will recognize the release of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park quarter as an opportunity to bring further knowledge and appreciation of the site into the classroom; and

**WHEREAS**, the America the Beautiful Quarters® Program features on-line lesson plans with a series of interactive and educational tools for students in kindergarten through high school found at [www.usmint.gov](http://www.usmint.gov); and

**WHEREAS**, on January 29, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. (ET), a ceremony will be held at the Mills Auditorium in Gatlinburg, Tennessee to commemorate the release of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park quarter into circulation;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim January 29, 2014, as

## *Great Smoky Mountains National Park Quarter Day*

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 eleventh day of December, 2013.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Julie Vengitt in blue ink.

Secretary of State