



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, reading helps prepare students for academic success, makes them ready for America's jobs of the future, and promotes their ability to compete in a global economy; and

WHEREAS, "Read Across America," a national celebration of Dr. Seuss's 110th birthday on March 3, 2014, promotes reading and adult involvement in the education of our community's students;

WHEREAS, this event encourages children to be in a safe place reading together with a caring adult on March 3, 2014; and

WHEREAS, we must work together to ensure that America's children are the best readers in the world; and

WHEREAS, Homer Pittard Campus School has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education of our youth, grounded in the principle that educational investment is key to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 3, 2014 as

Read Across America 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 third day of February, 2014.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bill Haslam".

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joe Kergett".

Secretary of State