



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, past studies have shown that neglected maintenance has led to more than 5,600 deaths, nearly 100,000 disabling injuries and more than \$2 billion in lost wages, medical expenses and property damage; and

WHEREAS, neglected tire maintenance is responsible for nine percent of crashes; and

WHEREAS, more than 75 percent of the vehicles on the road today are in need of some type of preventative maintenance; and

WHEREAS, according to the US Environmental Protection Agency, light duty vehicles are responsible for approximately 55 percent of US transportation emissions; and

WHEREAS, through proper maintenance, a ten-year-old vehicle can produce fewer emissions than a poorly maintained five year-old vehicle; and

WHEREAS, disabled vehicles are a cause of highway congestion that is avoidable with proper maintenance of critical vehicle systems; and

WHEREAS, proper maintenance of key safety systems such as brakes, air bags and lights will help reduce accidents and accompanying injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, proper maintenance reduces fuel usage by cars and therefore saves car owners money and reduces the emissions of greenhouse gases;

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

Car Care 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-seventh day of February, 2014.



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

Governor

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

Secretary of State