



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, our valued citizens of Tennessee staying in skilled nursing or post-acute care centers have made important contributions to the success and growth of our state; and

WHEREAS, care center residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and a precious resource; and

WHEREAS, skilled nursing care centers of the American Health Care Association and the Tennessee Health Care Association are holding events in observance of National Nursing Home Week guided by this year's theme of "Living the Aloha Spirit;" and

WHEREAS, we embrace this theme to show older adults and persons with disabilities patience, kindness, respect and compassion; and

WHEREAS, we call upon everyone to visit their loved ones, friends, or neighbors who reside in a skilled nursing or post-acute care center as a way to acknowledge their contributions to society and to lift the spirits of caregivers who value the community's involvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11-17, 2014 as

Nursing Home Week

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 seventh day of March, 2014.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Hight in blue ink.

Secretary of State