

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the goal of Tennessee's "Drive to 55" initiative is to increase the percentage of Tennesseans with a college degree or credentials to fifty-five percent by the year 2025; and

WHEREAS, according to the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, in the year 2020, fifty-five percent of jobs in Tennessee will require postsecondary education and training; and

WHEREAS, CollegeforTN.org affords Tennesseans the resources to prepare for college and successfully meet the requirements of the college application process; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Promise affords Tennessee high school students the opportunity to attend a community or technical college tuition-free; and

WHEREAS, during the week of September 29- October 3, all Tennessee high school seniors are encouraged to submit an application to a postsecondary institution with the support of school, college, and community volunteers;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 29- October 3, 2014, as

College Application 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 twenty-seventh day of August, 2014.

Governor

Secretary of State