



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the United States has been at the forefront of civil and human rights of individuals since its inception; and

WHEREAS, America needs the knowledge, skills and contributions of our fellow citizens with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, in our efforts to build a stronger community and society, we cannot afford to underestimate the abilities of any citizen; and

WHEREAS, working together, we can ensure that every American will be provided the access and opportunity to be a part of all that society offers; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the twenty-third anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the progress that has occurred;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2013, as

Americans with Disabilities Act 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 eighteenth day of July, 2013.



Bill Haslam

Governor

Lee Knight

Secretary of State