

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, in 2012, St. Agnes Academy will celebrate its 160th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, St. Agnes Academy is the oldest continuously operating school in the city of Memphis, excelling and thriving throughout its illustrious existence by thoroughly educating and preparing the young women of Memphis and Shelby County to succeed; and

WHEREAS, St. Agnes Academy was founded by the Dominican Sisters (now Sisters of Peace) of St. Catharine, Kentucky in January, 1851; and

WHEREAS, St. Agnes Academy flourished due to the quality education provided by the school, and in 1951, after one hundred years of continual growth, relocated to its present day location on Walnut Grove, which allowed the school to construct state of the art academic and athletic facilities; and

WHEREAS, the principles and standards St. Agnes Academy instills upon its students has molded and shaped leaders in Memphis and Shelby County for one hundred sixty years; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the leadership of President Barbara Daush, Dr. Joy Maness (Dean of the Upper School), Dean Kathy Toes Boccia (Dean of the Lower School), and the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, student body and alumnae, St. Agnes Academy remains a beacon of education in Memphis and Shelby County;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2012 as

ST. AGNES ACADEMY'S 160TH ANNIVERSARY

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 20th day of January, 2012.

Governor

Secretary of State