

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Clubfoot, medically known as congenital talipes equinovarus (CTEV), is a serious but treatable condition that affects approximately 1 in every 750 live births; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of individuals, from every country, suffer lives of disability when not receiving proper treatment for this deformity; and

WHEREAS, this condition is very socially, financially, and emotionally limiting for untreated patients; and

WHEREAS, June 3rd is the anniversary of the birth of the late Dr. Ignacio Ponseti, who developed the low-cost, non-surgical, highly effective Ponseti Method which is now the globally recognized standard of care for treating clubfoot deformity; and

WHEREAS, the Ponseti International Association was established in 2006 to realize the vision of a "world free of untreated clubfoot deformity";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2015 as

Clubfoot 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 tenth day of April, 2015.

Governor

Secretary of State