

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy is a chronic neurological disorder caused by the brain's inability to regulate sleep-wake cycles; and

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy affects an estimated 1 in every 2,000 Americans; and

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy is an under-recognized and under diagnosed condition; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of narcolepsy, especially when undiagnosed, can lead to accidents, injuries, and problems with learning, and working; and

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy affects people neurologically, socially, and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy affects people of all ages, with onset typically between the ages of 15 and 25; and

WHEREAS, Narcolepsy Network is a national organization created to promote awareness of the disease and provide support for those who suffer from narcolepsy;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 12, 2016 as

Narcolepsy Hwareness 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 sixth day of July, 2015.

Governor

Secretary of State