



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, epilepsy is the fourth most common chronic neurological condition; and

**WHEREAS**, epilepsy is a neurological condition characterized by recurrent, unprovoked seizures; and

**WHEREAS**, one in 26 people will develop epilepsy in their lifetime; and

**WHEREAS**, women with epilepsy have special concerns that include the impact of hormones on seizures, choosing safe anti-seizure medications during pregnancy, menopause, and bone health; and

**WHEREAS**, My Epilepsy Story, an organization for women and children diagnosed with epilepsy, is conducting a campaign to bridge the gap for epilepsy by advocating, researching, and educating Tennesseans during the month of November as well as throughout the year;

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

*Epilepsy Awareness Month*

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-ninth day of October, 2015.



*Bill Haslam*

Governor

*Joe Wright*

Secretary of State