



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, every year Tennesseans face severe weather threats from flash floods, flooding, hailstorms, lightning, thunderstorms and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, severe weather is a danger to life, health and property; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and education about the threat of severe weather is necessary to help every Tennessean prepare to protect themselves, their families and their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, local, state and federal departments and agencies, along with elected leaders, news media, professional associations and volunteers, are committed to informing and educating all Tennesseans about severe weather preparedness; and

WHEREAS, all Tennesseans need to understand the importance of preparedness and to have situational awareness about the threats around them; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, the Tennessee offices of the National Weather Service, the Outdoor Advertising Association of Tennessee, the Emergency Management Association of Tennessee, the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance, the Tennessee Department of Health, and the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security are joining together in a campaign to promote weather awareness and safety for all Tennesseans;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of February 28 through March 5, 2016, as

Severe Weather Awareness Week

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 fifth day of February, 2016.



Bill Haslam

Governor

Julie Hargett

Secretary of State