



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, bicycling has been a popular form of transportation for more than a century; and

WHEREAS, paved roads were developed for and are shared by both bicycles and automobiles; and

WHEREAS, bicycling continues to be a healthy, environmentally beneficial mode of travel and recreation for citizens of all ages; and

WHEREAS, more Tennesseans are bicycling for fun and fitness as well as necessary transportation; and

WHEREAS, the education of cyclists and motorists regarding proper and safe operation of non-motorized and motorized vehicles is paramount and manifested by mutual respect for the rules of the road; and

WHEREAS, Bike Walk Tennessee, the numerous bicycle clubs, and bicyclists across the state are promoting the benefits of bicycling and increasing public awareness of the rules and laws that reduce injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, many Tennesseans will convene for the Tennessee Bike Summit in Chattanooga on May 2, 2012 and participate in Bike to Work Day May 18th, 2012, celebrating biking to work, school, and other destinations;

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

BIKE 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 15th day of March, 2012.

Governor

Secretary of State