



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, a series of winter storms and rain events occurred in February 2016, causing heavily saturated soils in East Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning on February 26, 2016, and continuing through February 29, 2016, a massive rock slide occurred on Interstate 75 in Campbell County at mile marker 142.5, causing approximately 82,000 cubic yards of rock and soil to fall onto multiple lanes of traffic at this location of Interstate 75; and

**WHEREAS**, the condition of the slope at this location of Interstate 75 remains unstable; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been necessary for the Department of Transportation to close Interstate 75 in both directions at this location and detour interstate highway traffic around the closure until repairs can be made; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Transportation has awarded an emergency contract for repair and stabilization of the roadway and right-of-way at this location on Interstate 75.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Tennessee Constitution and law, including but not limited to Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107(b), do hereby declare a state of emergency in Campbell County, Tennessee. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107(b)(2), this state of emergency will remain in effect until I have determined that the emergency conditions no longer exist; provided, that in no event will the state of emergency continue for longer than sixty (60) days, unless specifically renewed.

**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 eighth day of March, 2016.

Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in black ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of the Secretary of State in black ink.

Secretary of State

