



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee students face many challenges, such as peer pressure to abuse drugs and alcohol, negative influences in the media, school violence and gang activities, and low self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, the students of Tennessee are indeed our state's single greatest resource, and in the coming years will assume leadership positions in this state and responsibility for the advancement of our society; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon us as parents, corporate leaders and community leaders to do everything within our power to protect the students of Tennessee and help them develop qualities of character essential for their future family and leadership roles; and

WHEREAS, we join with fellow citizens, regardless of religion or denomination, to ask God for His blessing and protection upon the students of our state; and

WHEREAS, we offer prayer for our schools, teachers, and administrators for God's wisdom and knowledge as they impart to the students of our state the great lessons of life and morality, and the education that each student deserves;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim August 10, 2014 as

Day of Prayer Over Students

across 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 seventh day of July, 2014.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bill Haslam", written over a horizontal line.

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joe Hargett", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State

