



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, emergencies come in many forms, can happen at any time, and give no quarter to life and property; and

WHEREAS, preparing Tennesseans for disasters and emergencies is a priority of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is a cooperative effort and by working together we can help all Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, we can and must help every Tennessean be resilient in the face of disaster; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans may have to rely on themselves, their family, their friends and their neighbors in large disasters until first responders arrive; and

WHEREAS, educating our citizens on how to make an emergency preparedness kit and an emergency preparedness plan is vitally important to their being able to cope during disasters; and

WHEREAS, engaging Tennesseans in emergency preparedness is a cooperative, daily effort across local, state, and federal jurisdictions, so our citizens see One Tennessee emergency management effort engaged in times of crisis and insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency is dedicated to raising awareness as to the critical importance of individual preparedness, provides critical information to the public before, during, and after emergencies, and

WHEREAS, September is designated as National Preparedness Month;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September, 2018 as

Preparedness 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 fifteenth day of August, 2018.

Bill Haslam

Governor

Lee Hargitt

Secretary of State