



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, Tennessee has a legacy of service and is known as the Volunteer State; and

**WHEREAS**, service-learning engages young people in solving problems in their schools and communities as part of an intentional learning activity and helps young people develop skills such as engagement in learning, community stewardship, civic action; and

**WHEREAS**, Learn and Serve America supports and encourages service-learning throughout the United States and enables over one million students to make meaningful contributions to their community while building their academic and civic skills; and

**WHEREAS**, The National Service-Learning Partnership, dedicated to advancing service-learning as a core part of every young person's education, has declared September 17-23, 2007 as the first-ever National Learn and Serve Challenge Week;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Phil Bredesen, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim the week of September 17-23, 2007, as

## TENNESSEE LEARN AND SERVE CHALLENGE 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 30th day of August, 2007.

*Phil Bredesen*  
Governor

*Ray C. Bonney*  
Secretary of State

