



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, for the past 100 years, the United States Department of Labor has fostered, promoted, and developed the welfare of wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of this country; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor has worked to make the American workplace safer, healthier and fairer for everyone; and

WHEREAS, working families in the great state of Tennessee, across the country, and across the world have benefitted from the United States Department of Labor's efforts to assure work-related benefits and rights, including the right to be paid fairly for every hour labored; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor has evolved to meet the changing needs of a changing workforce by partnering with employers, community organizations and institutions of higher learning to improve job training, provide lifelong learning opportunities and advance efforts for profitable employment; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the United States Department of Labor has reached outside the confines of the workplace, touching people's lives at all stages, by allowing parents to take leave and tend to loved ones, training veterans and young people for good careers, and guaranteeing the pensions of retired workers; and

WHEREAS, the value of the services provided by the United States Department of Labor will remain of paramount importance to the well-being of all Americans, and the department will address tomorrow's conditions, and meet the needs of future workers with the same insight, foresight and passion it has shown for the past century;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 4, 2013, as the

*Centennial Anniversary of the
U.S. Department of Labor*

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 fourteenth day of February, 2013.

Governor

Secretary of State

