



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, The Elephant Sanctuary provides a haven for sick and needy elephants that have been retired from zoos and circuses. This refuge is based in a natural habitat; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this awareness month is to educate the public about the welfare of all species of elephants in captivity and in the wild; and

WHEREAS, The Elephant Sanctuary is an established non-profit organization that recognizes the importance of providing for these highly intelligent and very social creatures; and

WHEREAS, The Elephant Sanctuary continually sets and reaches goals to better the lives of all elephants worldwide;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bredesen, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 2010 as

ELEPHANT AWARENESS 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 31st day of August, 2010.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Phil Bredesen'.

Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Lu Hargett'.

Secretary of State