



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the first Friday in April, "Tennessee Auctioneers Day," is recognized by auctioneers across the state as a day to reflect back on one of history's oldest professions and celebrate the profession's rich history and traditions, as well as its future; and

WHEREAS, businesses and nations have depended on the professional services of auctioneers for centuries, entrusting auctioneers with their most valued and prized possessions for sale; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate Tennessee Auctioneers Day to commemorate the profession's history and celebrate the work of those who built the foundation for this industry's future; and

WHEREAS, auctions and the age-old profession of auctioneering continue to grow every year, and it is estimated that approximately a quarter-trillion dollars in goods and services are sold by live auctions every year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, online, on the lawn, and on television, auctions continue to grow in popularity with consumers, as bidders enjoy the thrill of competition along with the rush that accompanies the chase for treasures; and

WHEREAS, auctions can be an effective and efficient means of turning assets into cash quickly as well as a source of fun and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Auctioneers Association and its members strive to advance the auction method of marketing while upholding the highest standards of the professionalism in serving the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim April 3, 2020 as

Auctioneers Day

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 nineteenth day of February, 2020.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Keratt

Secretary of State