

SAMPLE

City of _____

Mayor's PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS there are 4,356 physical therapists, 2,722 physical therapy assistants and over 400 physical therapy students in Tennessee;

WHEREAS the practice of physical therapy seeks to improve the health and quality of life of individuals in society ;

WHEREAS physical therapists significantly improve mobility to perform daily activities;

WHEREAS physical therapists provide an alternative to painful and expensive surgery in many cases;

WHEREAS physical therapists manage or eliminate pain without mediation and its side effects:

WHEREAS Tennessee allows physical therapists to treat patients without a physician's referral under varying circumstances, referred to as direct access;

WHEREAS the education and clinical experience required to become a licensed physical therapist provides the judgment needed to establish a diagnosis, determine if consultation with another health care provider is necessary and design an individualized plan of care for the patient.

NOW, therefore, I, _____, mayor of _____, Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October as Physical Therapy Month in _____, Tennessee.