

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, this great nation was founded upon the principles of religious liberty for all, and today Americans remain steadfast in embracing their own religion and defending the right of others to practice their respective faiths; and

WHEREAS, the good people of Johnson City, Tennessee, will help celebrate and protect the First Amendment right to religious liberty on June 21, 2012, by participating in the Stand Up for Religious Freedom Rally at Metro-Kiwanis Park; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Nationwide Rally for Religious Freedom, the Stand Up for Religious Freedom Rally in Johnson City is bringing citizens from all walks of life together to protest the HHS mandate of the Administration's universal health care program; now, therefore,

I, Ron Ramsey, Speaker of the Senate of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, at the request of and in conjunction with Senator Rusty Crowe, do hereby proclaim that the organizers of and participants in the Stand Up for Religious Freedom Rally in Johnson City be honored and commended upon their ongoing commitment to preserving religious liberty in America as they exercise their Constitutional right to freedom of assembly.

Proclaimed in Nashville, Tennessee on this the 20th day of June, 2012.

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Ron Ramsey  
Speaker of the Senate

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Rusty Crowe, Senator  
3rd Senate District



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