

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, narcolepsy is a chronic neurological disorder caused by the brain's inability to regulate sleep-wake cycles; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1 in every 2,000 Americans is affected by narcolepsy; and

WHEREAS, narcolepsy can occur at any age, though symptoms of this lifelong condition often begin in childhood or adolescence; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of narcolepsy can cause accidents and injuries as well as compromise academic, employment, and interpersonal opportunities; and

WHEREAS, narcolepsy impacts people neurologically, socially, and emotionally, and educating the public, especially school, health, and human resource personnel, about this disorder can lead to greater understanding and an improved quality of life for those it affects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2014, as

NARCOLEPSY AWARENESS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about narcolepsy and work together to raise awareness of this disorder.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA