

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** in today's highly interconnected world, telephones provide a lifeline to emergency help and a vital link to government services, community resources, friends, and family; and

**WHEREAS,** a number of households across our state and nation do not have telephones in their homes because they cannot afford the cost of telephone service; and

**WHEREAS,** the Federal Communications Commission, Public Service Commission of South Carolina, and the State of South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff have joined a collaborative effort to make telephone service more affordable for low-income consumers by providing a discount on monthly charges for local telephone service; and

**WHEREAS,** Lifeline Assistance programs benefit eligible consumers by making basic telephone service more affordable through discounts on their monthly phone bills.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 9 - 15, 2013, as**

### **SOUTH CAROLINA LIFELINE AWARENESS WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of programs available to help ensure telephone connectivity for residents of our state and nation.



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

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**