

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** it is estimated that 6.7 million people are currently living with chronic wounds, and the number is expected to grow steadily over the next decade; and

**WHEREAS,** more than 30 million people in the United States have diabetes, nearly 2 million of whom will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound; and

**WHEREAS,** untreated chronic wounds can lead to a diminished quality of life and possible loss of limb; and

**WHEREAS,** increased awareness and education about chronic wounds and advanced wound care can benefit individuals affected currently and in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 6 - 10, 2016, as**

### WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to help call attention to the importance of advanced wound care and its role in saving lives and limbs.



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

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