

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, neurofibromatosis (NF) is a set of genetic disorders that cause tumors to grow along various types of nerves and can impact the development of non-nervous tissues such as bone and skin; and

WHEREAS, there are three distinct types of neurofibromatosis with symptoms generally appearing during childhood and early adolescence and giving rise to various conditions including changes in the appearance of the skin, bone deformities, hearing loss, ringing in the ears, poor balance, and intense pain; and

WHEREAS, NF affects approximately 100,000 Americans, more than 2 million men and women worldwide, and has no particular distribution between peoples or locations; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 observance of Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month helps call attention to this disorder and those whose lives it affects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about neurofibromatosis and to work together to raise awareness of the need for continued research into its prevention, treatment, and cure.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA