

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** ministers and other members of the clergy are the religious leaders who head our places of worship and provide spiritual guidance to their congregations and communities; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to planning and conducting regular worship services and officiating at weddings, funerals, and baptisms, ministers and clergy have many responsibilities that may include managing and supervising staff and providing counselling, comfort, and instruction to members of the congregation as well as the community; and

**WHEREAS,** Clergy Appreciation Day provides an opportunity to thank our spiritual leaders for their contributions that positively impact individuals, families, and communities in the Palmetto State.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2, 2016, as

### CLERGY APPRECIATION DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor the members of the clergy for their commitment to sharing their faith and serving our communities with the grace of God.



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

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