

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Women in Philanthropy is a major women's philanthropic initiative founded in 2002 by a group of 16 business women and community activists in the Columbia area; and

WHEREAS, Women in Philanthropy was established as a giving circle that would also focus on leadership development, education, advocacy, and networking; and

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the United Way of the Midlands, the Central Carolina Community Foundation, and the SC Alliance for Women, Women in Philanthropy is part of a national movement of women seeking long-term solutions to issues facing women and children; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Women in Philanthropy is to increase the number of women philanthropists, to focus women's philanthropic investment in community programs that assist women and children, and to develop women leaders who will lead program and policy changes to improve the lives of women and children; and

WHEREAS, combining their individual strengths and talents, the more than 400 member/investors of Women in Philanthropy have given over \$250,000 in grants to programs that help women and children in the Midlands of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 10th anniversary of Women in Philanthropy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 13, 2012, as

WOMEN IN PHILANTHROPY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize Women in Philanthropy for its commitment to making a positive, lasting impact on communities in the Midlands.



NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA