

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, every child deserves the chance to live and grow in a loving, caring, and supportive home; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,300 children in South Carolina, including young people who are free to be adopted as well as those who still must clear the legal process, are in need of families to provide the stable and nurturing environments that will help them achieve their goals; and

WHEREAS, many of these children have special needs, including physical, mental, or emotional disabilities, age, or are members of a sibling group, that complicate placement in a permanent home; and

WHEREAS, families able and willing to adopt children with special needs are at the forefront of fulfilling our responsibility to one of our most vulnerable populations.

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

ADOPTION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to consider becoming adoptive parents for the future well-being of the many children waiting for permanent families.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA