

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the brave men and women serving in the emergency response field are vital to the well-being of our citizens and communities in the Palmetto State; and

**WHEREAS,** trained in urgent medical care and other emergency procedures, first responders, including police, paramedics, firefighters, 911 dispatchers, search and rescue teams, organizations in the public safety sector, and volunteers, stand ready to provide immediate assistance in times of need; and

**WHEREAS,** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, first responders answer the call to help in a wide range of emergencies, often putting themselves in harm's way in order to protect property, uphold the law, and save lives; and

**WHEREAS,** South Carolina is proud to honor these courageous individuals and their families for their personal sacrifice and commitment to the safety and security of residents and communities across the Palmetto State.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 1, 2016, as

### FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the tremendous contributions and sacrifices made by our first responders.



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