

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, alpha-1 antitrypsin is a protein that is produced by the liver and protects the lungs; and

WHEREAS, alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency is an inherited disorder that can lead to liver disease at any age and lung disease in adults; and

WHEREAS, alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency often goes undiagnosed or misdiagnosed, and many people affected develop no symptoms or complications from the disorder; and

WHEREAS, treatment of alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, including medication, immunizations, and surgery, is designed to manage and relieve the symptoms associated with the liver and lung disease.

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

ALPHA-1 ANTITRYPSIN DEFICIENCY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of this disease and to recognize the people it affects.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA