

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in both men and women, taking the lives of more Americans than breast, prostate, and colon cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, over 40 percent of lung cancer cases occur in people who have quit smoking and approximately 15 percent occur in people who have never smoked; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 3,900 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed in South Carolinians this year, and nearly 2,700 people will succumb to the disease; and

WHEREAS, increased availability and use of the early diagnosis and management protocols for lung cancer have the potential to improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 2011 as

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of lung cancer issues and offer compassion to all those it affects.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA