

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, direct support professionals, including direct care workers, personal assistants, personal attendants, in-home support workers, and paraprofessionals, are the primary providers of long-term supports and services for millions of individuals; and

WHEREAS, assisting individuals with disabilities with their daily personal needs, direct support professionals must build a close, trusting relationship with their clients; and

WHEREAS, direct support professionals provide essential services that help keep individuals with disabilities connected to their families and communities; and

WHEREAS, direct support professionals play a vital role in allowing an individual with disabilities to live successfully in the community and avoid more costly institutional care.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 7 - 13, 2014, as

DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS RECOGNITION WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize direct support professionals for their contributions that enable individuals with disabilities to live meaningful, productive lives.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA