

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Marine Corps League was founded in 1923 by Major General John A. Lejeune, 13th Commandant of the Marine Corps, and chartered by an Act of Congress on August 4, 1937; and

WHEREAS, the motto, *Semper Fidelis*, is in keeping with the commitment members of the United States Marine Corps have exhibited since its inception and have proven time and again since our nation's founding; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Marine Corps League is to preserve the traditions and interests of the United States Marine Corps and to band those who are now serving and those who have been honorably discharged together in fellowship; and

WHEREAS, the Marine Corps League serves to foster love for the principles they have supported since the beginning of the Republic, hold sacred the memory of the men and women who have given their lives for our nation, aid and render assistance to Marines and Fleet Force Corpsmen and Chaplains and their families, and perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Marine Corps League Detachments throughout the Palmetto State continuously demonstrate their commitment to their communities by enhancing the quality of life for their fellow citizens through countless hours of charity and volunteer work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 15, 2014, as

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor the members of the United States Marine Corps League.



NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA