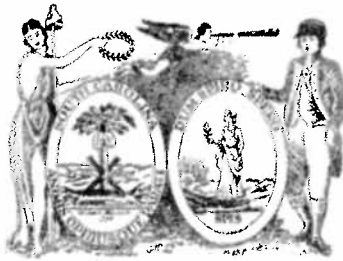


# State of South Carolina

## Executive Department



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*Mark Hammond*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

### Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

**2015-09**

**WHEREAS**, on February 16, 2015, the National Weather Service began issuing Winter Weather and Freezing Rain Advisories and Winter Storm and Ice Storm Warnings in effect from February 17, 2015 to February 18, 2015, forecasting periods of freezing rain and snow in parts of South Carolina leading to the possibility of hazardous driving conditions and power outages, which pose a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the hazardous weather conditions, state government offices were closed in accordance with county government offices as follows: On February 17, 2015, state government offices were closed in Anderson, Marlboro, Oconee, and Spartanburg Counties. On February 17, 2015, state government offices were delayed in Abbeville, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Darlington, Fairfield, Greenville, Lancaster, Laurens, Newberry, Pickens, Saluda, Union, and York Counties. On February 18, 2015, state government offices were delayed in Anderson, Greenville, Lancaster, Laurens, Pickens, and Spartanburg Counties; and

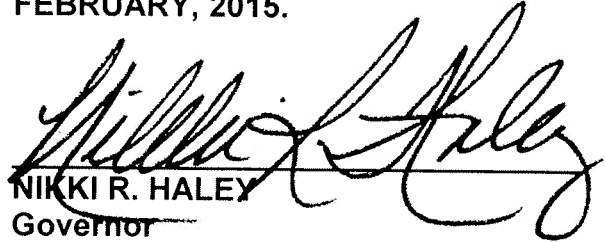
**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 8-11-57 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the governor of this State may authorize leave with pay for affected state employees who are absent from work due to the closing of state offices for hazardous weather conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the laws and Constitution of the State of South Carolina, I hereby grant leave with pay to state employees absent from work as directed on February 17, 2015 and February 18, 2015, due to the closing of state offices caused by hazardous weather conditions.

This order shall take effect immediately.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE  
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF  
FEBRUARY, 2015.

  
NIKKI R. HALEY  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
MARK HAMMOND  
Secretary of State