

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, it is estimated that over 224,000 Americans will be diagnosed with lung cancer this year and more than 159,000 deaths will occur from the disease; and

WHEREAS, smoking is widely recognized as the leading cause of lung cancer, although it also occurs in people who have never smoked or had prolonged exposure to secondhand smoke; 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 for patients and their families.

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

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA