

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are essential to America's healthcare system, providing high-quality, cost-effective anesthesia care for more than 125 years; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are anesthesia specialists who are the hands-on dispensers of approximately 30 million anesthetics given to patients in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are the sole anesthesia providers in more than two-thirds of all rural hospitals, affording these medical facilities obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization capabilities; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs practice in a variety of settings including traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms, ambulatory surgical centers, offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, and plastic surgeons, and military, public health service, and veterans' medical facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim January 22 - 28, 2012, as

SOUTH CAROLINA NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize these outstanding healthcare professionals for their important contributions to the delivery of quality healthcare services for our citizens.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA