

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, breast cancer claims the lives of thousands of American women every year, no matter a woman's age, race, or income; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Cancer Alliance reports that approximately 3,740 women in the Palmetto State will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and an estimated 670 women lose their battle to the disease each year; and

WHEREAS, following recommended screening procedures, including self breast exams, mammograms, and clinical examinations, can lead to early detection and prompt treatment of breast cancer, greatly increasing the chances for survival; and

WHEREAS, wearing pink ribbons during the month of October supports awareness of and advocacy for breast cancer screening and early detection and honors the women who have died from breast cancer or are currently battling the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2016 as

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the importance of early detection and treatment in the fight against this disease.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA