

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** throughout history, Turkish immigrants have traveled to America seeking freedom and opportunity; and

**WHEREAS,** Americans of Turkish descent have played a significant role in the educational, cultural, economic, and civic development of communities throughout our state and nation; and

**WHEREAS,** first celebrated in Turkey in 1923, Children's Day helps promote the welfare of children through various festivities and programs; and

**WHEREAS,** Turkish Heritage and Children's Day celebrates the contributions of Turkish Americans and recognizes the role of children as tomorrow's leaders.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2015, as

### TURKISH HERITAGE AND CHILDREN'S DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor Turkish Americans in the Palmetto State for their many contributions to our economy, culture, and history.



**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**