

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, established by the Consumer Protection Code in 1974, the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs has served as the state's consumer protection agency for 40 years; and

WHEREAS, as the administrator and enforcer of the Consumer Protection Code, as well as other regulatory statutes, the Department of Consumer Affairs helps formulate and modify consumer laws and regulate the consumer credit marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Consumer affairs provides services to aid in the maintenance of an equitable marketplace, including complaint mediation, insurance rate filing intervention, identity theft protection, and education for consumers and businesses alike; and

WHEREAS, in over 40 years of dedicated service to the Palmetto State, the Department of Consumer Affairs has processed more than 270,000 regulatory filings and saved consumers and businesses over \$2.9 billion through the mediation of more than 180,000 complaints, review of over 72,000 insurance and utility rate filings, and enforcement actions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 13, 2015, as

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about the agency and take advantage of the valuable services it provides.



NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA