

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** access to affordable, quality health care contributes to the quality of life of all South Carolinians and to growth and prosperity of communities across the state; and

**WHEREAS,** Free Clinics are volunteer-based, safety-net health care organizations that provide a range of health services to individuals who cannot afford care or do not have insurance available to them; and

**WHEREAS,** these clinics play a vital role in ensuring economically disadvantaged individuals are not excluded from obtaining essential health services, contributing to the continued success of our state; and

**WHEREAS,** Free Clinic Awareness Day calls attention to the services provided by Free Clinics and the dedicated efforts of the doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and community activists who donate their time and expertise to improve the lives of patients.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 22, 2013, as

### FREE CLINIC AWARENESS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize Free Clinics and the health care professionals and other volunteers who staff them for helping ensure the health and well-being of the people of the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

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