

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** dystonia is a chronic neurological disorder that causes involuntary muscle contractions that result in slow, repetitive movements or abnormal posture; and
- WHEREAS,** it is estimated that nearly 500,000 Americans are affected by dystonia; and
- WHEREAS,** individualized treatment plans can help reduce symptoms and improve the quality of life for people with dystonia; and
- WHEREAS,** research continues into an increased understanding of dystonia, the development of improved treatment therapies, and an eventual cure; and
- WHEREAS,** Dystonia Awareness Month provides an opportunity to recognize people with this disorder for their strength, courage, and determination to achieve.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2014 as**

### DYSTONIA AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of this disorder and to recognize the individuals and families it affects.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley", written in a cursive style.

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