

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, acts of bullying in various forms are committed by all ages of youth during the school day in our state and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, bullying can cause devastating harm to young people's health and well being and interferes with the education process by disrupting classrooms, distracting students, and inhibiting learning; and

WHEREAS, public schools should be safe, positive learning environments that help parents and families feel secure in their efforts to better their children's lives through education and help them become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, the prevention of bullying may be achieved in part by raising awareness of the incidence of bullying in schools and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2012 as

### BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the devastating effects bullying can have on individuals and to work together to keep our schools and communities free of bullying.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA