

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, March 21, 2016, marks the commemoration of End Racism Day, officially observed by the United Nations as The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination since 1966; and

WHEREAS, led by the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission, End Racism Day provides an opportunity to further the resolve as we pause to celebrate the diversity of the human race rather than allow our dissimilarities to become a reason for racial separation; and

WHEREAS, because a racial hierarchy has never had and will never have a place in the modern and democratic society to which we aim, communities across the Palmetto State are encouraged to rejoice in the differences that make every individual unique and special; and

WHEREAS, while End Racism Day alone cannot change the world, it is a step in the right direction that can make a world of difference.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2016, as

END RACISM DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to take advantage of this opportunity to celebrate some of humanity's greatest triumphs in the fight against racism, racial discrimination, and intolerance and reaffirm their commitment to combating racism, whatever its form.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA