

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, America was built by people who, though from different countries around the world, shared a belief in the principles of freedom, justice, and opportunity; and

WHEREAS, with an entrepreneurial spirit and strong values, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have made lives for themselves and their families, enriched their communities, and made countless cultural, artistic, educational, and economic contributions to our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders have helped build, defend, and strengthen our nation; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month provides an opportunity to recognize their contributions to our rich cultural heritage.

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

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the accomplishments of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the Palmetto State.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA