

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, diabetes is a metabolic disease that causes high blood sugar levels due to the body's inadequate production of or improper response to insulin, a hormone that facilitates the movement of glucose into cells to satisfy energy and growth requirements; and

WHEREAS, more than 29 million Americans are affected by diabetes, yet over 8 million people have not been diagnosed and are unaware that they have the disease; and

WHEREAS, Tour de Cure is a fundraising cycling event held in cities across the nation to help find a cure and support the mission of the American Diabetes Association; and

WHEREAS, from challenging, long-distance courses to family fun rides, the South Carolina Tour de Cure offers a route for all levels of cycling experience; and

WHEREAS, the Tour de Cure bike ride is a unique way to raise awareness of the continuing need for diabetes research while enjoying the beautiful springtime in the Midlands of the Palmetto State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 30, 2015, as

SOUTH CAROLINA TOUR DE CURE DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join together to raise awareness of diabetes, to recognize the thousands of people who are affected by it, and to remember those who have lost their lives to this deadly disease.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA