

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is a genetic disease that affects the part of the nervous system that controls voluntary muscle movement; and

WHEREAS, advances in treatment options, including medical equipment and procedures to manage or prevent problems associated with muscle weakness and the use of assistive technology, contribute to a better quality of life for patients with SMA; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month provides an opportunity to recognize people with this disease 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 August 2014 as

SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about this disease and to recognize the individuals and families it affects.



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NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA