

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, there are more than 200 distinct forms of dwarfism and skeletal dysplasias and an estimated 30,000 people in the United States with a type of dwarfism; and

WHEREAS, 80 percent of people with dwarfism have average-height parents, siblings, and children; and

WHEREAS, covering all fields and professions, people with dwarfism contribute to the economy of South Carolina as productive members of the workforce and enhance the social diversity of communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 observance of Dwarfism Awareness Month helps increase public knowledge about people with dwarfism.

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

### DWARFISM AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about dwarfism and recognize the contributions of people of short stature to the Palmetto State.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA