

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, among the oldest churches in North America, the Parish Church of St. Helena was established in 1712 as a colonial parish of the Church of England on the outer reaches of the British Empire; and

WHEREAS, from its earliest days, the Parish Church of St. Helena ministered to the spiritual needs of the community, guarded freedoms, administered laws, conducted elections, and levied and collected taxes for the care of the needy; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Church of St. Helena has remained steadfast in faith for three centuries, surviving war, revolution, civil conflict, economic depression, pestilence and disease; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Church of St. Helena is a beacon to the community and the world, welcoming all who are seeking spiritual renewal through the word of God as revealed in the Holy Scriptures and the traditional teachings of the Church.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim January 22, 2012, as

### PARISH CHURCH OF ST. HELENA 300<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the many contributions and rich history of the church and its congregation.



A stylized, cursive handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley.

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA