

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Town of Hemingway, originally named Lamberts after B. G. Lambert who owned considerable land and operated a general store at the Stage Coach and Kingstree Roads junction, is located in northeastern Williamsburg County; and

WHEREAS, with vision and a strong work ethic, Dr. W. C. Hemingway and his brothers acquired and developed land around Lamberts, selling property to the Seaboard Airline Railway to connect the community that later adopted his name to other areas of the state and become a market center for local crops; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 1914, the Town of Hemingway received its official charter from the South Carolina Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, as the self-proclaimed Barbeque Capital of the World, Hemingway annually hosts the South Carolina BBQ - Shag Festival, serving up some of the best food in the country and celebrating the official state dance; and

WHEREAS, a century later, Hemingway remains one of South Carolina's treasures, a town with friendly people, natural beauty, and exciting community events, and a great place to live, work, and play.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 21, 2014, as

TOWN OF HEMINGWAY 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about the Town of Hemingway and recognize its historic, cultural, and economic contributions to the Palmetto State.



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

**NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**