

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** serving more than 34 thousand students across South Carolina, our independent colleges and universities are dedicated to providing a full range of high quality, post-secondary educational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS,** these institutions have established an unparalleled record of excellence in teaching and nurturing students, adapting to ever-evolving student needs, technological advancements, and social trends while fostering creativity and critical thinking; and

**WHEREAS,** independent colleges and universities in the Palmetto State are committed to preparing students for full lives, productive careers, and active citizenship.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 16-20, 2012, as

**INDEPENDENT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY WEEK**

and April 18, 2012, as

**INDEPENDENT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY DAY**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize our independent colleges and universities for their positive contributions to ensuring our continued status as leaders in higher education.



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