

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Danny Lee Ford served as the head football coach at Clemson University from 1978 to 1989; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished career at Clemson, Coach Ford compiled a 96-29-4 record, including a 6-2 bowl record, five Atlantic Coast Conference titles, and a National Championship; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, Coach Ford became the youngest coach to win a National Championship and the youngest to receive the Coach of the Year Award from the American Football Coaches Association and the Football Writers Association of America; and

WHEREAS, Coach Ford, an All-SEC and All-SEC Academic selection himself while playing football for the University of Alabama, also coached 21 All-Americans and 41 players who advanced to the National Football League; and

WHEREAS, in addition to both the positive impact he has made as a role model to student athletes and the national recognition he has brought to the Palmetto State through his success on the football field, Coach Ford continues to inspire and touch lives through his compassion, humility, generosity, and commitment to service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2013, as

COACH DANNY LEE FORD DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join together in honoring Coach Ford for his outstanding contributions to the Palmetto State.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA