

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, colon and rectal cancers begin in the digestive system and, excluding skin cancer, represent the third most common type of cancer in men and women; and

WHEREAS, early detection can greatly increase the chance for survival by finding the cancer in a localized stage that is more easily and successfully treated; and

WHEREAS, following recommended screening guidelines can actually prevent the disease through the identification and removal of pre-cancerous polyps; and

WHEREAS, early detection, diagnosis, and treatment can be effective tools in the fight against this type of cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 27, 2011, as

COLON CANCER AWARENESS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the critical role that early detection screening tests have in reducing the incidence of death from this disease.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA