

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS, World AIDS Day is an international campaign held each year on the first day of December to raise awareness of the global impact of HIV/AIDS; and
- WHEREAS, more than 1 million Americans are living with HIV or AIDS, and nearly one-fifth do not know they are infected; and
- WHEREAS, almost 15,000 residents of South Carolina, including about 200 children and teens, are living with HIV infection or AIDS; and
- WHEREAS, with the theme, "Getting to Zero," the 2012 observance of World AIDS Day calls attention to the importance of prevention, testing, and treatment in order to reduce the number of new cases and AIDS related deaths to zero.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 1, 2012, as

WORLD AIDS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to learn more about HIV/AIDS, take action to protect their health and the health of others, treat HIV/AIDS patients with fairness and understanding, and remember those who have lost their lives to this disease.



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NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA