

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** severe weather can occur year round in the state of South Carolina; and
- WHEREAS,** severe weather can often include high winds, heavy rains, and the possibility of tornadoes; and
- WHEREAS,** severe weather can result in heavy flooding, millions of dollars in damage, personal injuries and the potential for loss of life; and
- WHEREAS,** recent storms and historic flooding have demonstrated the importance of being personally prepared for emergency situations that put people in harm's way; and
- WHEREAS,** all citizens in South Carolina should know the importance of emergency warnings and practice what to do when an alert is issued by public safety officials; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Weather Service, the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, and all county emergency managers are working together to make sure South Carolinians are safe and prepared for severe weather including tornadoes and flooding.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 6 - 12, 2016, as

SEVERE WEATHER AND FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to participate in the statewide tornado drill on the morning of March 9 and to join this effort to increase public awareness of severe weather and flood safety measures by participating in preparedness and education programs.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA