

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** originally proclaimed in 1986, the Month of the Military Child recognizes the contributions and personal sacrifices our children make in support of the Armed Forces of the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS,** approximately 39,000 of South Carolina's children and youth have been directly affected as one or both of their parents serve at home and abroad to preserve our freedom; and

**WHEREAS,** military children are a source of pride and honor, earning our appreciation for the significant contributions they make in our schools, our communities, and throughout our state despite prolonged and repeated absences by one or both parents; and

**WHEREAS,** Month of the Military Child serves as a reminder that when parents serve in the military, their children serve as well; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2016 observance of Month of the Military Child provides an opportunity to pay tribute to our military children for their commitment, their struggles, and their unconditional support for our troops while encouraging communities to support these children and their families.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 2016 as**

### MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor the courage and sacrifice of our military children who so steadfastly uphold the American spirit.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

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