

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) is a progressive, incurable lung disease that causes scarring in the lung tissue of affected patients; and

WHEREAS, while a variety of factors can cause IPF, in many cases a definitive cause cannot be determined; and

WHEREAS, drug treatments, oxygen therapies, and a healthy lifestyle can help manage the disease but currently offer no cure; and

WHEREAS, Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month calls attention to the need for increased education and research as a means to help achieve early detection and diagnosis, effective treatment methods, and a possible cure for this disorder.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2015 as

PULMONARY FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of this debilitating disease.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA