

# National Independence Day Parade™

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Honorable Nikki Haley  
Office of the Governor  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley,

America's National Independence Day Parade, sponsored by the National Park Service, needs your help!

Earlier this year, we requested your assistance and we did not receive a response.

**We need your office to nominate five (5) high school marching bands from your state that would proudly represent South Carolina in celebrating the 240th birthday of our great nation on July 4, 2016.** Official invitations will be sent to each school upon receipt of your nominations. We hope that any band you recommend would be of the highest performance quality and would be a commendable representative of your state. You are welcome to contact and invite the bands directly, so long as we are informed of the communication and aware of the nomination.

**Every state of the union needs to have representation in the National Independence Day Parade, and South Carolina has yet to have a band selected for state representation.**

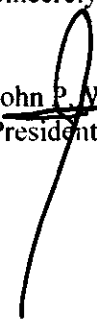
This world-class parade, which features military and veterans units, marching band representation from around the country, impressive floats, and many other specialty groups, takes place annually in Washington, D.C. on Constitution Avenue along the National Mall, and commemorates our country's rich, patriotic heritage.

Please respond with your nominations by e-mail to [info@july4thparade.com](mailto:info@july4thparade.com) no later than Tuesday, September 15, 2015.

Please feel welcome to visit our website for further information: [www.july4thparade.com](http://www.july4thparade.com)

We thank you and your staff in advance for your thoughtful response and we look forward to having your state represented in the 2016 National Independence Day Parade!

Sincerely,

  
John P. Wiscombe  
President