

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, medical diagnoses and treatment decisions rely on timely and accurate test results; and

WHEREAS, expanding medical knowledge, technological developments, and America's growing and aging population are increasing the need for medical laboratory testing; and

WHEREAS, laboratory medicine is a critical part of sustaining high quality health care; and

WHEREAS, laboratory professionals, including pathologists, medical technologists, cytotechnologists, histotechnologists, medical technicians, phlebotomists, and histological technicians, are highly trained and well-educated specialists who perform and evaluate laboratory tests to detect and diagnose disease and monitor treatment; and

WHEREAS, with the theme, "Laboratory Professionals Get Results," the 2012 observance of Medical Laboratory Professionals Week emphasizes the essential role of these specialists who, as members of the health care team, use state-of-the-art technology to provide answers and guide cures.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 22 - 28, 2012, as

MEDICAL LABORATORY PROFESSIONALS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of medical laboratory professionals to the delivery of quality health care services.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA