

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** the Weatherization Assistance Program was created in 1976 with the mission "To reduce energy costs for low-income families, particularly for the elderly, people with disabilities, and children, by improving the energy efficiency of their homes while ensuring their health and safety."; and
- WHEREAS,** the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity, in cooperation with the state's local Community Action Agencies, delivers weatherization services in the field; and
- WHEREAS,** providing long term solutions to energy issues for low-income households, the Weatherization Assistance Program enables these residents to permanently reduce home energy costs; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2009, the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity launched a partnership with the South Carolina Technical College System to create regional Energy Efficiency Training Centers whose main goal is to train a workforce for future energy efficiency projects; and
- WHEREAS,** with today's high energy costs, the 2011 observance of Weatherization Day provides an important opportunity to increase public awareness of the positive impact of weatherization on the economic wellbeing of our residents and on the conservation of our energy resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 31, 2011, as

WEATHERIZATION DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the positive impact of the Weatherization Assistance Program on the quality of life of the residents of the Palmetto State.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA