

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois, is the world's first, and one of the largest, non-profit humanitarian service organizations; and

WHEREAS, there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and business leaders in over 34,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic areas, including nearly 7,700 members of over 130 clubs across the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto, *Service Above Self*, inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise to provide medical supplies, health care, clean water, food production, job training, and education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Rotary launched PolioPlus and spearheaded efforts to immunize children of the world against polio and has, to date, contributed more than \$1 billion and countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than 2 billion children in 122 countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2015, as

### ROTARY 110<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize Rotary International for its service and commitment to improving the quality of life in local communities around the world, including 30 years dedicated to eradicating polio worldwide.



NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA