

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** businesses and industry across the Palmetto State provide a range of employment opportunities for our residents while strengthening our communities; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2011, 66% of total capital investment and 46% of new jobs recruited by the Department of Commerce and its economic development allies came from existing companies while 92% of capital investment and 66% of new jobs came from manufacturing; and

**WHEREAS,** manufacturing accounts for over 16.4% of South Carolina's gross domestic product and 11.8% of our workforce; and

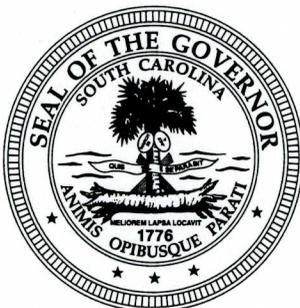
**WHEREAS,** small businesses in our state represent 95% of all private employers and 79.6% of all manufacturers and employ 35% of South Carolinians working in private industry; and

**WHEREAS,** this year marks the Palmetto State's 21<sup>st</sup> annual observance of Industry Appreciation Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 16 - 20, 2012, as**

### **SOUTH CAROLINA INDUSTRY APPRECIATION WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join together in thanking area companies for their many contributions to the quality of life in our communities and the economic well-being of our state.



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

**NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**