

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the Overcomers group was created by the Spartanburg County Department of Social Services through the Independent Living Program, Foster Youth Initiative, to provide support for teenagers in foster care in Spartanburg, Cherokee, and Union Counties; and

**WHEREAS,** teens in foster care are invited to attend monthly meetings during which they receive encouragement and assistance to help them meet with future success; and

**WHEREAS,** with the support and guidance of mentors, counselors, a church group, and other community members, the Overcomers learn valuable life skills and lessons, from the importance of education and job interview preparation to financial planning and locating appropriate housing, transportation, and health care; and

**WHEREAS,** with mutual respect, support, and friendship, the Overcomers confront the challenges they will face in their lives after foster care and set a course for a successful and rewarding future.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 7, 2014, as

### THE OVERCOMERS 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the members of this group for their commitment to overcoming any difficulties they encounter on the road to success.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nikki R. Haley'.

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