

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** Parkinson's disease is a chronic, progressive neurological disorder that affects an estimated one million Americans; and

**WHEREAS,** Parkinson's disease has four major symptoms, including trembling in the hands, arms, legs, jaw, and face, stiffness of the limbs and trunk, slowness of movement, and impaired balance and coordination, which generally lead to difficulty in walking, talking, or completing other simple tasks; and

**WHEREAS,** even though there is presently no cure for this disease, medications are available to help manage the symptoms; and

**WHEREAS,** research continues into the causes and possible cure and is contributing to the development of improved treatment options that can help enhance the quality of life for people affected by Parkinson's disease.

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

### **PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness and understanding of this debilitating disease.



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

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