

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the most critical stages of vision development occur in the first year of a child's life; and

WHEREAS, undetected eye and vision problems can contribute to a decrease in a child's quality of life and may lead to permanent vision impairment and developmental and behavioral difficulties which impede classroom learning; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in six children in the United States are at risk from undiagnosed eye and vision problems; and

WHEREAS, early detection of vision problems is the best way to treat and prevent permanent vision impairment; and

WHEREAS, optometrists across the state participate in InfantSEE, a nationally recognized public health program which offers a one-time, no-cost eye assessment for infants who are six to twelve months of age.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 24 - 30, 2012, as

INFANTSEE WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of early detection of vision problems to the quality of life of children across the Palmetto State.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA