

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS, each year, thousands of people across the United States are diagnosed with a primary or metastatic brain tumor; and
- WHEREAS, statistically, brain tumors occur most frequently in children and older adults; and
- WHEREAS, brain tumors are the most common solid tumors in children, the leading cause of death from solid tumors in children under 20, and the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in children overall; and
- WHEREAS, whether malignant or benign, brain tumors are life threatening and, with over 100 different types, effective treatment is difficult and complicated; and
- WHEREAS, access to effective specialty and follow-up care, clinical trials, and rehabilitative services are critical to an improved quality of life for people affected by brain tumors.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2013 as

BRAIN TUMOR AWARENESS MONTH

and May 1 - 7, 2013, as

BRAIN TUMOR ACTION WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the importance of research into the causes and better treatments for brain tumors.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA