

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, public gas systems, including municipal gas distribution systems, public utility districts, county districts, and other public agencies that have natural gas distribution facilities, are not-for-profit retail distribution entities that serve more than five million customers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, with a focus on service, public natural gas utilities are governed by a board whose members live within the service area and understand local issues, enabling the utilities to maintain a close relationship with customers and better address their needs; and

WHEREAS, functioning as not-for-profit, locally-operated agencies, public natural gas systems offer fair and competitive rates and help ensure that revenues remain in the community, contributing to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Public Natural Gas Week helps raise awareness of the benefit these locally-owned utilities bring to the communities they serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2-8, 2011, as

### PUBLIC NATURAL GAS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the public natural gas workers and systems that serve homes and businesses in the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Nikki R. Haley' in a cursive script.

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA