

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, syringomyelia is a chronic disorder characterized by the formation of a fluid-filled cyst within the spinal cord; and

WHEREAS, affecting an estimated 40,000 Americans, the disorder is usually caused by an abnormality of the brain but can also occur as a result of trauma, meningitis, hemorrhage, a tumor, or arachnoiditis, with symptoms generally appearing in young adulthood; and

WHEREAS, research continues to develop a better understanding of syringomyelia, improved treatment options, and better outcomes for individuals it affects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

SYRINGOMYELIA AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of this disorder and recognize the individuals and families it affects.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA