

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the metric system is a universal, decimal-based system of measurement; and

WHEREAS, based on a system developed in France in the late 18th century in an effort to standardize weights and measures throughout that country, the metric system was authorized for use in the United States by Congress in 1866; and

WHEREAS, the development of the metric system as an international standard of trade has contributed to advances in global commerce, technology, and science; and

WHEREAS, National Metric Week calls attention to the educational and economic benefits of using the metric system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 5 - 11, 2014, as

STATE METRIC WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about the metric system.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA