

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** South Carolina Week for the Animals helps raise awareness and educate the public about the need to provide the proper care and protection for our animal friends; and

**WHEREAS,** animals provide protection to the vulnerable, service to the disabled, companionship for the lonely, and an abundance of love and devotion to their families and friends; and

**WHEREAS,** pet overpopulation is a costly problem that can be drastically reduced by the spaying and neutering of pets; and

**WHEREAS,** during the sixth annual South Carolina Week for the Animals, communities and organizations will host a variety of events, including adoption opportunities, spay and neuter clinics, therapy dog visits and workshops, community education programs, benefits, and festivals, to help call attention to the many ways these wonderful creatures contribute to our lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 3 - 11, 2016, as**

### **SOUTH CAROLINA WEEK FOR THE ANIMALS**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate our domesticated animals as well as our wildlife and to recognize the many volunteers and caregivers who give so much to nurture and protect our animals.



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

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**