

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, severe weather and other disasters can strike the Palmetto State at any time, establishing the need for all South Carolinians to plan and prepare for the protection of lives and property; and

WHEREAS, the development and review of family emergency plans, including methods of communication, destination, plan of action, and arrangements for pets, is vitally important in the event of a voluntary or mandatory evacuation or a need to take shelter; and

WHEREAS, while special preparations may be advisable in certain situations, general disaster preparations include assembling an emergency kit, safeguarding one's home and property, reviewing and updating homeowners and renters insurance, and completing a home inventory; and

WHEREAS, SC Scout, the South Carolina Department of Insurance weather sentry, serves to engage young people in the planning and preparation process for their families through library outreach events and activities for adults and children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 23, 2016, as

PLAN, PREPARE, AND PROTECT CAMPAIGN AWARENESS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to make the necessary plans and preparations that can ultimately protect lives and property in the event of hurricanes, severe weather, or other disasters.



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

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