

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, in today's highly interconnected world, telephones provide a lifeline to emergency help and a vital link to government services, community resources, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, a number of households across our state and nation do not have telephones in their homes because they cannot afford the cost of telephone service; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission, Public Service Commission of South Carolina, and the State of South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff have joined a collaborative effort to make telephone service more affordable for low-income consumers by providing a discount on monthly charges for local telephone service; and

WHEREAS, Lifeline Assistance programs benefit eligible consumers by making basic telephone service more affordable through discounts on their monthly phone bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 10 - 16, 2012, as

### SOUTH CAROLINA LIFELINE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of programs available to help ensure telephone connectivity for residents of our state and nation.



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

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA