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Sent: 10/6/2014 3:00:50 PM
To: GoinsColumbia@aol.com; Dupree, Leanna; Thomas, Katherine; Haley, Nikki
Cc:
Subject: Fwd: Request Proclamation- Interfaith Harmony Month 2015 (January)

Dear Ms. Dupree, Ms. Thomas & Governor Haley:

I Wanted to request , again the “South Carolina Interfaith Harmony Month” January 2015

On behalf of the Interfaith Partners of South Carolina, which I serve on the Executive Committee and as a Faith Community Representative

I have attached the Proclamation from 2014, as an example of the requested language for the document

“South Carolina Interfaith Harmony Month” January 2015

We would like to keep the same language as before wit the addition of the below clause:

*Whereas, the **Interfaith Partners of South Carolina** have begun efforts statewide to building a statewide network of Compassionate Communities within the Palmettos state's Interfaith community which transcends religious, ideological, and national differences.*

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Office of the Governor

Governor Nikki R. Haley
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201
Fax: (803) 734-5167

October 6, 2014

Dear Governor Haley:

I am requesting, once again , that SC joins us in celebrating **January 2015** by proclaiming “**South Carolina Interfaith Harmony Month**” in conjunction with the international and national observance. Attached you will see previous years' proclamations and also I have attached a draft for your use, as per your request. The mission of **Interfaith Partners of South Carolina** is to foster understanding and cooperation among the religious groups of our community, our state, and our world.

We request this annually, early each year, because we use this information and the Proclamation to help in the planning and promoting of the various events that will be featured during that month. We also use the Proclamation to solicit corporate participation and funding for activities that benefit all of South Carolina's citizens and celebrate **January 2015**.

I serve on the Executive Board of the **Interfaith Partners of South Carolina (IPSC)**. **I have been asked to request this Proclamation by the organization's leadership.**

The state of South Carolina has a centuries-old history of vibrant religious pluralism. The descendants of our indigenous tribes still maintain their unique spirituality. From the earliest days of European colonization, dozens of faiths entered the port of Charleston or traveled south by land, from Muslims to Anabaptists, Jews to Huguenots. And today we are home to hundreds of religious traditions, large and small. Our economic and social fabric are comprised of business executives, students and faculty at our universities, medical professionals and others who are often new South Carolinians bringing with them the faith traditions of countries around the world. South Carolina interfaith leaders have long realized the importance of bringing together people of divergent religious cultures. Interfaith Partners of South Carolina is a statewide organization. We invite you to join us for events throughout the year, including discussion groups, festivals, services, films and classes.

We appreciate your expedience with processing this Proclamation request, because we need this “*said proclamation*” in order to begin planning, fundraising and our educational out-reach. If I can be of any assistance to you or if you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to call me (803) 397-3938. **The Proclamation can be mailed to us or I can send someone to pick it up when it is ready.**

Thanks Again, as we say in Cherokee Language ‘*Wado!*’

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-----Original Message-----

From: Dupree, Leanna <LDupree@oepp.sc.gov>
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Sent: Wed, Dec 18, 2013 9:38 am
Subject: RE: Thank you very much