

# 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 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, 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 October 29 - November 5, 2011, 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.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA