

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** held annually in the town of Belton, South Carolina, the South Carolina State Chili Cook-Off Championship is an International Chili Society sanctioned event that brings together competitors from across the country to vie for the title of South Carolina Chili Champion; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to being a fun-filled event with great food, family entertainment, and specialty vendors, the South Carolina State Chili Cook-Off Championship raises funds to help support non-profit organizations in the Belton community; and

**WHEREAS,** winners of this cook-off earn a chance to represent South Carolina as competitors in the International Chili Society's World Championships; and

**WHEREAS,** the South Carolina State Chili Cook-Off Championship brings positive national recognition to the Palmetto State.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 13, 2013, as

### SOUTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CHILI COOK-OFF DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate this festive event and its contributions to our state.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

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