

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** with healthy minds and bodies, our students are better prepared to learn and actively engage in their education; and

**WHEREAS,** children today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school; and

**WHEREAS,** school nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of students by providing access to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and

**WHEREAS,** through the delivery of preventative care, health assessments, and on-site referral services, the presence of nurses in our schools encourages a healthier environment while educating our children about health and wellness issues; and

**WHEREAS,** school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents, and health care providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and

**WHEREAS,** school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring student's academic success for more than 100 years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2014, as**

### SCHOOL NURSE DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize school healthcare providers for contributing to our communities by helping students stay healthy, in school, and ready to learn.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

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