

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** arachnoiditis is a pain disorder that occurs when the arachnoid, one of the membranes surrounding and protecting the nerves of the spinal cord, becomes inflamed; and

**WHEREAS,** the causes of arachnoiditis include chemical irritation, bacterial or viral infections, direct injury to the spine, and complications from spinal surgery; and

**WHEREAS,** while treatments for arachnoiditis generally focus on pain relief and the improvement of symptoms that interfere with daily life, long-term outcomes are unpredictable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 2016 as**

### ARACHNOIDITIS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of this condition and recognize the need for continued research into effective treatments and a possible cure.



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

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