

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, tuberculosis (TB) is one of the largest infectious disease killers in the world, with nearly 9.4 million new cases and 1.7 million deaths worldwide annually; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina consistently ranks among the top ten states nationally, with an average of 200 new cases each year; and

WHEREAS, while new forms of TB have developed and threaten the residents of the Palmetto State, South Carolina is committed to controlling the disease locally and globally; and

WHEREAS, observed since 1982, 100 years after the discovery of the TB bacillus was announced, World TB Day provides an opportunity to support individuals, families, and communities affected by this disease and to renew our commitment to preventing the spread of TB.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2012 as

SOUTH CAROLINA TB AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to promote the development and delivery of more effective and efficient treatments for TB and to remember those who have lost their lives to this deadly disease.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA