

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, with 60 publicly owned airports and 4 military airfields that serve over 10,000 pilots and more than 3,000 general aviation aircraft, South Carolina has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, airports support and assist South Carolina in many ways, including recreational flying, providing a gateway to communities and tourist attractions, accommodating agricultural spraying, supporting air cargo and air freight shipments, helping law enforcement, supporting the military and its operations, providing access in times of emergency, and supporting medical needs and the medical profession; and

WHEREAS, the Palmetto State is home to 20 charter flight companies, 34 repair stations, 3 flight schools; and

WHEREAS, aviation plays a vital role in the economy of South Carolina, providing many thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in economic activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 2011 as

### GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to our state.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA