WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizeing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for urban and rural communities across South Carolina and the nation and for people of all ages, walks of life and ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, "Celebrating America's Treasures" is the theme for the 2011 observance of National Historic Preservation Month, cosponsored in the Palmetto State by the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to discover the rich architectural and historical treasures across the Palmetto State.

NIKKI R. HALEY
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA