

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** South Carolina is blessed with an abundance of natural and man-made gifts, from beautiful beaches to historic city streets, meandering blackwater rivers, pristine lakes, and the majestic Blue Ridge Mountains; and

**WHEREAS,** because of those gifts and the hard work and ingenuity of countless South Carolinians, our rich tradition of hospitality has blossomed into a multibillion-dollar travel and tourism industry; and

**WHEREAS,** tourism fuels economic growth and prosperity in South Carolina, pumping visitor dollars into local economies, supporting one in every ten jobs, and contributing to billions of dollars in state and local tax collections; and

**WHEREAS,** the success of the Palmetto State's tourism industry is made possible through the stewardship, creativity, innovation, and outstanding service provided by our tourism professionals, from our chefs to our property managers, tour guides, golf course greenskeepers, hotel housekeepers, event planners, and beyond.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 7 - 13, 2023 as

### TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the Palmetto State's robust travel and tourism industry, recognize its significant impact on our economy, and honor the tourism professionals who work tirelessly to help visitors and citizens discover everything South Carolina has to offer.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Henry McMaster".

**HENRY McMASTER**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**