

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** hurricanes possess powerful destructive forces that pose a serious threat to the lives and property of the citizens of South Carolina; and
- WHEREAS,** during the Atlantic Hurricane Season, which occurs from June 1 through November 30, communities across South Carolina are at risk of being impacted by powerful tropical storms and hurricanes; and
- WHEREAS,** storm surge, wind, flooding, and tornadoes caused by hurricanes can threaten the lives of people in the Palmetto State; and
- WHEREAS,** many residents in the state continue to recover from last year's direct impact of Hurricane Florence, a storm where nine people died in storm-related incidents across the state; and
- WHEREAS,** advanced planning and preparation by individuals, businesses, and communities safeguards lives, protects property, and mitigates impacts; and
- WHEREAS,** the South Carolina Emergency Management Division recommends that individuals be their own emergency manager by preparing for the next major storm now, including creating a disaster plan, building an emergency supply kit, and learning whether you live or work in a hurricane evacuation zone and developing an evacuation plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 26 - June 1, 2019, as

SOUTH CAROLINA HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, the National Weather Service, and local emergency managers in their efforts to encourage and foster hurricane preparedness.



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

HENRY McMASTER
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA