State of South Caroling Sovernor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, serving more than 33 thousand students across our state, independent, non-profit colleges and universities are dedicated to providing high-quality post-secondary educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, these institutions have established an unparalleled record of excellence in teaching and nurturing students, adapting to ever-evolving student needs, technological advances, and social trends while providing a full range of educational experiences; and

WHEREAS, independent colleges and universities in the Palmetto State share a common commitment to promoting critical thinking and creativity by preparing students to be engaged citizens and leaders in their careers and communities; and

WHEREAS, the organization that represents 20 of these institutions of higher learning, South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, has for over 65 years provided *A Voice for Independent Higher Education in South Carolina*.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 8 - 12, 2019, as

INDEPENDENT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY WEEK

and April 10, 2019, as

INDEPENDENT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize our independent, non-profit colleges and universities for their positive contributions to ensuring our continued status as a leader in higher education.

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HENRY McMaster Governor

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA