

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, throughout our country's history, courageous men and women have answered the call to protect and defend the core principles upon which our nation was founded, standing ready to fight to keep America safe and to help secure peace around the world; and

WHEREAS, today, there are over 17 million living Veterans, including nearly 400,000 in South Carolina, who have served our country in times of peace and conflict, many willingly entering harm's way to fight for our way of life; and

WHEREAS, through their selfless service, these dedicated members of our Armed Forces have kept America strong, inspired generations through their patriotic service, and proven their heroism and love of country time and again while helping to define the character of our nation; and

WHEREAS, each year on Veterans Day, we recognize and honor, with appreciation and respect, the men and women who served in our Armed Forces to keep our nation secure and advance the cause of freedom worldwide by boldly defending the American principles of liberty, opportunity, and justice for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2023, as

### VETERANS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to pause to reflect on the countless contributions and selfless sacrifices of the millions of men and women who have proudly served in the United States Armed Forces.



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

HENRY McMASTER  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA