

Governor Nikki Haley, November 15, 2013

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The Following is an article that addressed Governor Haley's opinion on same-sex marriage and what she believes her duty is as governor regarding same –sex marriage.

POLITICS: Nikki Haley says defending gay marriage ban is her constitutional duty

ISLE OF PALMS — Gov. Nikki Haley said she is doing "my job to uphold the constitution" by opposing a federal lawsuit that seeks to overturn the state's constitutional amendment banning gay marriage.

"The citizens of South Carolina spoke ... they spoke something that I, too, believe, which is marriage should be between a man and a woman," Haley told reporters after speaking at an event sponsored by the S.C. Chamber of Commerce in the Isle of Palms. "I'm going to stand by the people of this state, stand by the constitution, I'm going to support it and fight for it every step of the way."

The Associated Press a poll from Winthrop University showed that 52 percent of South Carolinians oppose gay marriage.

The State newspaper reported Friday that U.S. District Judge Joe Anderson had recused himself from the lawsuit. Anderson said he is member of the Indian Waters Council of the Boy Scouts of America executive board that removed one of the plaintiffs as a Scoutmaster because she was gay.