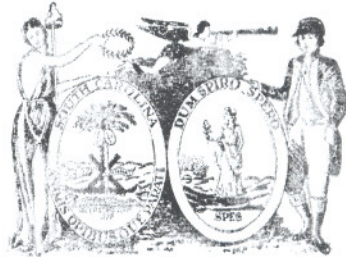


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WHEREAS, Section 53-5-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws allows the Governor to declare Christmas Eve of each year a holiday for state government employees; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all state government employees to celebrate the holiday season by spending time with family members and loved ones and to reflect on the blessings of the past year and look forward to the advent of the New Year.


NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 53-5-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, I hereby declare Friday, December 22, 2006, as the Christmas Eve holiday for state government employees.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 21st DAY OF
NOVEMBER, 2006.


MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST:


MARK HAMMOND
SECRETARY OF STATE