WHEREAS, a legend in Southern gospel music, Bill Shaw and his wife Wilma live in Anderson, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, singing professionally for 66 years, Bill Shaw began his career at the age of 13, touching the hearts of people around the world with his musical talent and steadfast faith; and

WHEREAS, Bill Shaw sang tenor for 22 years with the famous Blackwood Brothers Quartet, considered by many to be one of the finest quartets in the history of gospel music; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2004, Bill Shaw will celebrate his 80th birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 22, 2004, as

BILL SHAW DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join me in recognizing Bill Shaw’s many contributions to Southern gospel music while wishing him a happy 80th birthday.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA