WHEREAS, the construction industry is one of our nation’s largest, employing millions of individuals to provide the buildings and infrastructure we need to live; and

WHEREAS, each year, the construction industry must recruit and train approximately 240,000 new construction professionals to meet workforce demand, and it is estimated that by the year 2012, one million skilled workers will be needed to fill construction jobs; and

WHEREAS, created by the industry to standardize training and promote the dedication of craft professionals, the National Center for Construction Education and Research and its partners foster relationships between schools and industries in local communities to assist in workforce development; and

WHEREAS, Careers in Construction Week recognizes the efforts of the construction industry to provide career opportunities for our young people while increasing the quality of the future workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 16-20, 2006, as

CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of and appreciation for construction craft professionals and the entire construction workforce.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA