

# State of South Carolina

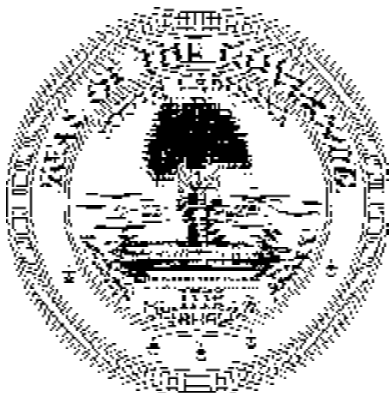
## Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** despite ongoing efforts to better protect child passengers in cars, motor vehicle crashes claim the lives of nearly 1,700 child passengers and result in an estimated 248,000 injuries each year; and
- WHEREAS,** unrestrained children are more likely to suffer severe injury or death in motor vehicle crashes than children who are restrained; and
- WHEREAS,** child safety seats and safety belts, when installed and used correctly, can prevent injuries and save lives; and
- WHEREAS,** in recognition of the 2003 observance of "Child Passenger Safety Week", the National SAFE KIDS Campaign and the South Carolina SAFE KIDS Coalition encourage all parents and childcare providers to properly restrain children in motor vehicles, regardless of seating position.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 9 – 15, 2003, as

### CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to support the efforts of the South Carolina SAFE KIDS Coalition to prevent childhood motor vehicle injuries and deaths.



A stylized, high-contrast signature of Mark Sanford.

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**