Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, hunger inhibits good health, decreases productive energy, exacerbates chronic and acute diseases, speeds the onset of degenerative diseases among the elderly, and reduces a child’s ability to learn; and

WHEREAS, the Souper Bowl of Caring is a cooperative initiative of churches, schools, and businesses throughout South Carolina and the nation established as an easy way for individuals to help the hungry, and

WHEREAS, since the Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990, an aggregate of $33 million has been raised for hungry families; and

WHEREAS, the Souper Bowl of Caring Service Blitz provides a unique opportunity for young people in the Palmetto State to join together and reach out in service to positively impact those in need in their local communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 3, 2007, as

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SERVICE BLITZ DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the Souper Bowl of Caring and to work together to reduce hunger in the Palmetto State.