

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** one of the oldest financial institutions in the Palmetto State, the National Bank of South Carolina (NBSC) was founded in Sumter in 1905 as the Farmers Bank and Trust Company; and

**WHEREAS,** loyal and dedicated customers, underlying financial strength, and the experience and instincts of its bankers enabled NBSC to survive the Great Depression, a period when thousands of businesses and most banks – including the other six in Sumter – failed; and

**WHEREAS,** NBSC has grown from a small bank in a rural community to our largest state-chartered financial institution with 44 offices in 25 communities from the mountains to the coast; and

**WHEREAS,** this year, NBSC is “Looking back on 100 years of service. Looking forward to 100 more” with numerous events and activities which will enhance its continued focus on building relationships with individuals, families and businesses across the state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 17, 2005, as

### THE NATIONAL BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of NBSC.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

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