WHEREAS, in 1957, the University of South Carolina College of Nursing established the first nationally accredited four year baccalaureate nursing degree in the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, the University of South Carolina College of Nursing has educated more than 6,000 nursing professionals who have joined the health care workforce in our state, our nation, and around the world; and

WHEREAS, nurses comprise the largest percentage of South Carolina’s health care workforce and play a critical role in quality patient care; and

WHEREAS, this year, the College of Nursing at the University of South Carolina celebrates its 50th Anniversary with a reunion of the alumni and friends of the college.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 28, 2007, as

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throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends of the University of South Carolina College of Nursing for their efforts to ensure high quality health care for the residents of the Palmetto State and beyond.