

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, poetry is a literary art that enriches the lives of the residents of our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, contributing to the rich cultural heritage of Americans as an important part of the arts and humanities, poetry touches many aspects of our lives; and

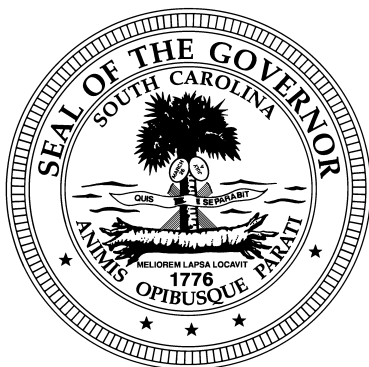
WHEREAS, poetry has produced many of our creative literary masters and has offered inspiration to artists in other areas, including music, theater, film, dance, and the visual arts; and

WHEREAS, the annual observance of Poetry Month calls attention to the legacy and ongoing achievement of American poets.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 2006 as

POETRY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the important contributions of American poets and their works to the development of our state and nation.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA