Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, for 98 years, the Salvation Army has worked diligently to ensure that those in need enjoy the holiday season by providing food, toys, and other items at Christmas; and

WHEREAS, this good cheer is made possible through the Salvation Army’s Red Kettle Program, which around the world brings the spirit of Christmas to people who might otherwise be forgotten - the aged and lonely, ill, poor and disadvantaged, or inmates of jails and other institutions; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, the Salvation Army annually aids more than 6 million people at Thanksgiving and Christmas through the Red Kettle Program; and

WHEREAS, the 2003 observance of “Red Kettle Month” provides an opportunity to recognize the Salvation Army in South Carolina for its commitment to ensuring that all of our residents have a joyous holiday season.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 2003 as

RED KETTLE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the Salvation Army for its many contributions to the strength of our communities and to the continued quality of life of our residents.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA