WHEREAS, hurricanes pose a serious threat to the lives and property of the residents of South Carolina, especially during the months of June through November; and

WHEREAS, these storms can cause massive destruction, human injury and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, storm surges, tornadoes, severe winds, and flooding attributed to hurricanes can adversely affect coastal and inland residents of the state; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina has been fortunate not to have experienced a major hurricane in several years; and

WHEREAS, being aware of and prepared for the dangers associated with these storms can help mitigate their impact and minimize the risk of property damage, injury, and loss of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 1-7, 2008, as

HURRICANE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join the South Carolina Emergency Management Division and the National Weather Service in their efforts to encourage and foster hurricane preparedness.

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