Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, home care for various acute and chronic illnesses is a growing alternative to hospitalization and other institution-based health services; and

WHEREAS, offering a wide range of medical and support services, home care is a cost-effective option to long-term nursing home or hospital care; and

WHEREAS, home care provides needed assistance to our elderly, disabled, and chronically ill residents, enabling them to live independently in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, home care helps strengthen our communities while supporting family efforts to remain together in times of illness and other infirmity.

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

SOUTH CAROLINA HOME CARE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of home care to the quality of life of elderly, disabled, and chronically ill residents of the Palmetto State.