WHEREAS, the Palmetto State is blessed with an abundance of natural beauty and wildlife which must be protected for future generations; and

WHEREAS, environmental issues, including air and water quality, habitat preservation and improvement, and waste management, affect communities across our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, learning about the environment helps increase awareness of how policies and actions impact our surroundings both positively and negatively; and

WHEREAS, environmental education encourages stewardship of our natural resources and helps protect our health while promoting economic development that safeguards the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 10 – 16, 2005, as

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throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about how their actions affect the environment and to work together to preserve our natural beauty for future generations.

MARK SANFORD
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