WHEREAS, physical therapists provide services that help restore function, improve mobility, relieve pain, and prevent or limit permanent physical disabilities of patients suffering from injuries or disease; and

WHEREAS, physical therapists, with the support of physical therapist assistants and aides, work to restore, maintain, and promote overall fitness and health; and

WHEREAS, physical therapists play a role in the prevention and management of overweight and obesity by providing supervised fitness and exercise programs; and

WHEREAS, this year’s observance of National Physical Therapy Month is being used to raise awareness on the importance of preventative health and weight management.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2007 as

PHYSICAL THERAPY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the contributions made by physical therapists and to join in the effort to raise health and fitness awareness.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA