

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, whether committed by sophisticated criminals, otherwise honest consumers, or by insurance company employees and owners, insurance fraud is an increasingly expensive burden on our nation's economy; and

WHEREAS, the cost of insurance fraud diverts vital resources away from businesses, law enforcement, the civil justice system, regulatory agencies and local emergency services; and

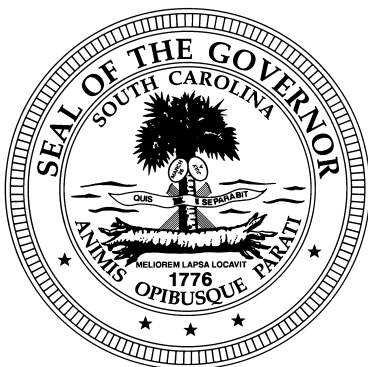
WHEREAS, insurance fraud often results in higher premiums for consumers; and

WHEREAS, working together to raise public awareness and understanding of insurance fraud can help prevent this illegal activity, while promoting quality insurance services for our residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 26 – 30, 2004, as

INSURANCE FRAUD AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to combat insurance fraud in the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA