

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, heart attack, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of death among women, claiming the lives of more than half a million individuals each year; and

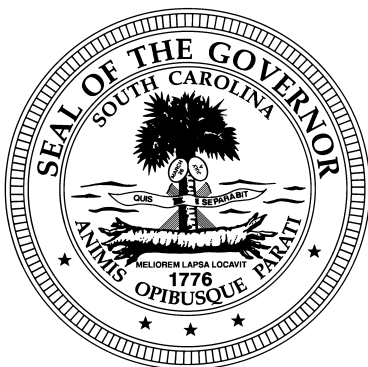
WHEREAS, one in five women have some sort of cardiovascular disease, yet 63 percent of those who die suddenly of coronary heart disease had no previous symptoms; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association and Providence Heart Institute are joining in celebration of the Red Dress Campaign Day to encourage women to pay attention to their hearts and to help them live longer, stronger lives by reducing their risk for cardiovascular disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2006, as

RED DRESS CAMPAIGN DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of heart disease in women, recognize loved ones who have suffered from it, and support efforts to fight it.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA