WHEREAS, accidents involving unintentional contact with overhead power lines occur needlessly across our state and nation each year; and

WHEREAS, over the last five years, at least seventeen serious accidents involving contact with overhead power lines have resulted in fourteen deaths in the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, accidents involving overhead power lines can easily be prevented by simply looking up to see if they are in the work area and taking the necessary steps to avoid contacting them.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2005, as

OVERHEAD POWER LINE SAFETY AWARENESS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the need to “Look Up and Live” when working in an area containing overhead power lines.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA