

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, afterschool programs keep kids safe, help working families, and improve academic achievement; and

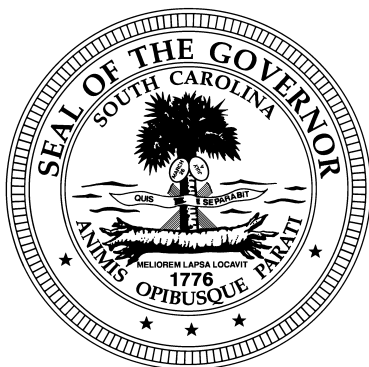
WHEREAS, afterschool programs give young people an opportunity to apply what they learn at school while providing an atmosphere that encourages reading, writing, dancing, singing, questioning and exploring; and

WHEREAS, *Lights On Afterschool!* is a nationwide event designed to call attention to afterschool programs and the benefits they provide for children, families, and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 14, 2004, as

LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL! DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to raise awareness of the positive impact of safe, affordable afterschool programs and activities on children, families, and communities across the Palmetto State.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA