

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children, with more than 12,000 children in the United States diagnosed with cancer each year; and

**WHEREAS,** on any given day, approximately 300 South Carolina children are undergoing active treatment for cancer at hospitals, centers, and clinics across the state; and

**WHEREAS,** these young residents of the Palmetto State demonstrate unwavering determination and bravery in their battle against childhood cancer; and

**WHEREAS,** by working together to recognize the exceptional courage of these children affected by cancer, we can help raise awareness of the issues unique to this devastating illness.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 25 – October 2, 2005, as

### COURAGEOUS KID RECOGNITION WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor these children, their families, and the professionals who support them during their brave fight against this tragic disease.



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

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**