WHEREAS, the skills and dedication of legal support staff professionals throughout South Carolina helps ensure the efficient functioning of our vast and complex system of justice; and

WHEREAS, legal support staff provide vital administrative and technical assistance to our courts, government, businesses, and private law firms; and

WHEREAS, the 2003 observance of “Court Observation Week” provides an opportunity for legal support staff professionals in the Palmetto State to participate in programs to enhance their knowledge of the system they so ably serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13-17, 2003, as COURT OBSERVANCE WEEK throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the contributions of legal support staff to our justice system.