Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 749 young people under the age of 21 died in alcohol-related traffic crashes during April, May, and June 2003; and

WHEREAS, the potential danger for young people to be involved in alcohol-related crashes increases during the spring and summer months, with proms, graduations, and vacations influencing their decision to drink and drive; and

WHEREAS, replacing irresponsible consumption with responsible decision making can be achieved through a collective effort involving education, communication, research, law enforcement, and other community programs.

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

PROM AND GRADUATION SAFETY MONTHS

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to reduce underage drinking and driving.

Mark Sanford
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA