WHEREAS, YouthBuild USA was founded in 1990 to help low-income youth across the country rebuild our communities while developing skills and acquiring the knowledge needed to ensure their future success; and

WHEREAS, in South Carolina, young adults served by this program use the construction and carpentry training they receive to create housing for other low-income and homeless residents across the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing academic instruction for a high school diploma or GED acquisition, YouthBuild programs offer training in construction skills, assistance with job placement, and guidance in leadership development; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina has seven YouthBuild programs managed by different organizations with a common goal of improving the earnings potential and quality of life of the participants.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 13, 2006, as

SOUTH CAROLINA YOUTHBUILD DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the participants and sponsors of this program for their important contributions to the economic stability of our communities and the quality of life of our residents.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA