WHEREAS, volunteer service helps build self-esteem, empathy, resilience, patriotism, positive social behavior, and academic success in our youth; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina’s young people make important contributions to their communities through public service; and

WHEREAS, during the 2005 observance of Youth Service Days, volunteers across the Palmetto State will join together in numerous projects, including community cleanup and beautification, writing letters to deployed servicemen and women, planting butterfly gardens, hosting a multigenerational dance in honor of foster grandparents, and holding a community health and services fair.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 15 – 17, 2005, as

YOUTH SERVICE DAYS

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the important contributions made by the youth of the Palmetto State to improving the lives of others.

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA