WHEREAS, our children are our most cherished treasures and an even greater blessing when they come in multiples; and

WHEREAS, Palmetto State Parents of Multiples is a support group for parents and caregivers throughout South Carolina who share the special common bond of being blessed with twins, triplets, or higher order multiples; and

WHEREAS, Palmetto State Parents of Multiples are dedicated to educating the public on the needs of these children and their families while offering a forum for the exchange of ideas, promoting interest in and knowledge of multiple births, providing equipment exchange, and helping families of multiples in need; and

WHEREAS, Palmetto State Parents of Multiples Day honors the hard work and dedication of parents with multiples.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2004, as

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throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize Palmetto State Parents of Multiples for its efforts to help caregivers with the everyday challenges of raising multiples.