

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, cancer is the leading cause of death by disease of children, with more than 12,000 children in the United States diagnosed with cancer each year; and

WHEREAS, on any given day, approximately 300 South Carolina children are undergoing active treatment for cancer; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month recognizes the courage and compassion of those children and their families throughout South Carolina and the nation who have or are currently battling cancer; and

WHEREAS, by working together to raise awareness of the devastating effects of childhood cancer, we can make a positive difference for families, patients, and survivors in the future.

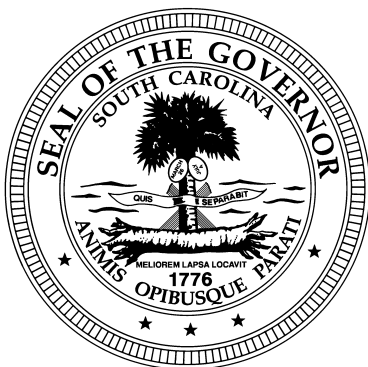
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2004 as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

and September 14, 2004, as

A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to wear a gold ribbon as a symbol of our common commitment to advancing research into childhood cancer and in memory of children who have survived as well as lost their battle against cancer.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA