

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are integral to finding, developing, and conserving our vital mineral, energy, and water resources; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences provide the basis for preparing for and mitigating natural hazards such as floods, land slides, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, sinkholes, and coastal erosion; and

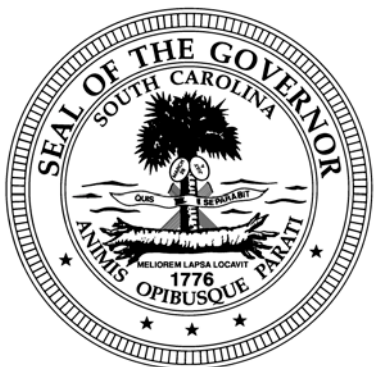
WHEREAS, the earth sciences are crucial to environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal; and

WHEREAS, Earth Science Week calls attention to the ways the earth sciences enrich our appreciation and understanding of the natural features of the Palmetto State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 10 - 16, 2004, as

EARTH SCIENCE WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of the earth sciences to understanding our natural world.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA