

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, organ and tissue transplantation can save, prolong, and improve the lives of hundreds of South Carolinians and tens of thousands of Americans each year; and

WHEREAS, more than 600 South Carolinians are currently on a waiting list to receive an organ transplant; and

WHEREAS, tragically, because enough donated organs and tissue are not available, many transplant candidates will die waiting; and

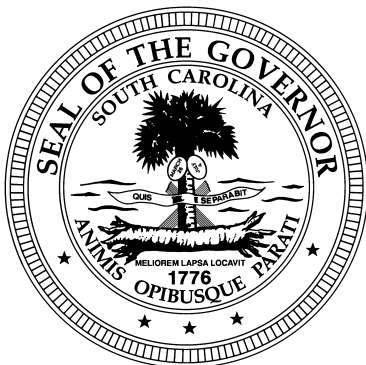
WHEREAS, less than 10 percent of South Carolina's population have consented to become organ donors; and

WHEREAS, continued efforts to increase awareness of the need for organ and tissue donation could mean the difference between life and death for people throughout South Carolina and the nation waiting for a transplant.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 2007 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about organ and tissue donation and celebrate the incredible generosity of those individuals who have saved lives by becoming organ donors.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA