

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, the United States Coast Guard Cutter MADRONA (WLB 302) has faithfully served the communities of South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, Virginia, and the US Virgin Islands for over 59 years; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history the United States Coast Guard Cutter MADRONA (WLB 302) has kept over 350 floating aids to navigation working properly, aided distressed citizens, and enforced the laws and treaties of the United States; and

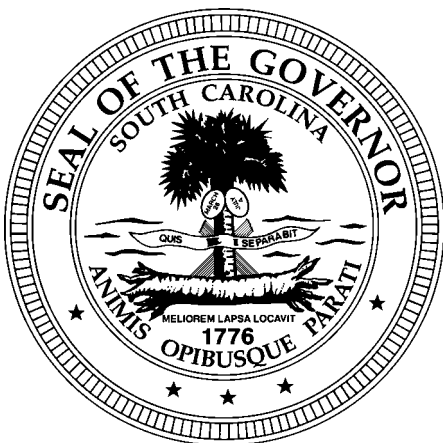
WHEREAS, past and present crewmembers of the United States Coast Guard Cutter MADRONA (WLB 302) have consistently performed their duties with honor and dignity, upholding the highest standards of civic duty; and

WHEREAS, April 12, 2002, officially marks the decommissioning of the United States Coast Guard Cutter MADRONA (WLB 302).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 12, 2002, as

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throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor past and present crewmembers of the United States Coast Guard Cutter MADRONA (WLB 302) for their outstanding legacy of service to the Palmetto State and to our nation.



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