

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1777 the Continental Congress authorized the first flag of the United States to be comprised of alternating red and white stripes with a blue corner containing thirteen stars representing a new constellation; and

WHEREAS, the American flag has evolved to its present design through the addition of a star to commemorate the admission of each new state to the union; and

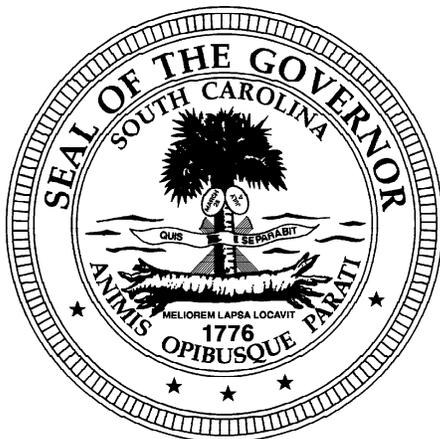
WHEREAS, the flag has been a timeless symbol of unity for diverse cultures and freedom from tyranny; and

WHEREAS, our banner is a majestic representation of the American belief in liberty and justice for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 14 - July 14, 2001, as

AMERICAN FLAG MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to fly the flag proudly in celebration of the ideals of unity, justice and liberty for which it stands.



Jim Hodges

Jim Hodges
Governor
State of South Carolina