

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the majority of alarm calls received by law enforcement and fire protection agencies are false; and

WHEREAS, repeated false life safety, security and fire alarm signals create a potential safety issue for first responders and may divert critical resources from true emergencies and crime prevention initiatives; and

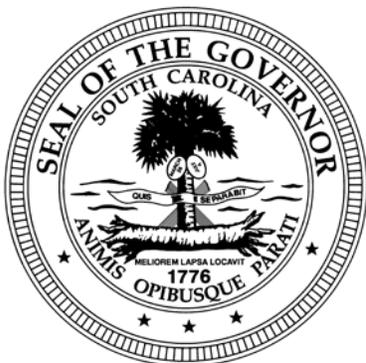
WHEREAS, the most successful false alarm reduction programs are those where law enforcement, alarm users and alarm dealers all recognize the impact of false alarms and work together to decrease their occurrence; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 observance of False Alarm Awareness Month helps to raise awareness of the costs and safety issues associated with false alarm signals and foster coordination and communication between alarm users, alarm dealers and law enforcement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 2009 as

FALSE ALARM AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to reduce false alarms.



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

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA