

**WHEREAS,** throughout South Carolina and the nation, friendships between women often play an important part in their success and well-being; and

**WHEREAS,** from mothers and sisters to playmates, roommates, neighbors, and co-workers, women develop long-lasting and diverse friendships; and

**WHEREAS,** the companionship and support women share with their peers enable them to work together to enhance the quality of life in communities across the Palmetto State.

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

## **WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP MONTH**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of friendship to the women of our state.