

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.