

State of South Carolina

Proclamation

by

Governor Jim Hodges

- WHEREAS,** our children are our greatest resources and most cherished treasures and we must do everything possible to ensure their health and safety; and
- WHEREAS,** the Palmetto State recognizes the courage, wisdom, zest for life, and compassion of those children throughout South Carolina and the nation who have or are currently battling cancer; and
- WHEREAS,** the families of children with cancer, who are themselves dramatically impacted by the battle against cancer and its multi-faceted demands, are often their child's best advocate and are a vital source of strength and support for their children; and
- WHEREAS,** many hospitals, medical professionals, care-givers, foundations, schools, religious institutions, and government agencies offer children with cancer and their families medical, financial, and emotional support; and
- WHEREAS,** by working together to raise public awareness of the devastating effects of childhood cancer, we can make a positive difference for families, patients, and survivors in the future.

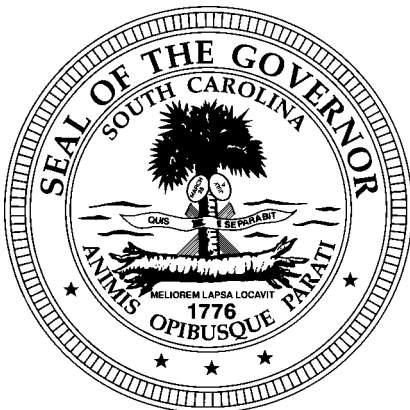
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2002 as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

and September 14, 2002, as

A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the courage and perseverance of children with cancer and their families and to honor those children who fought bravely but lost their battle against cancer.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Hodges".

Jim Hodges
Governor
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