

State of South Carolina

Proclamation

by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, wolf reintroduction efforts currently underway in the northern Rockies and in the Southwest are part of a larger effort to restore ecological balance throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the wolf is an integral part of our nation's natural ecosystems and is a symbol of the importance of respecting biological diversity; and

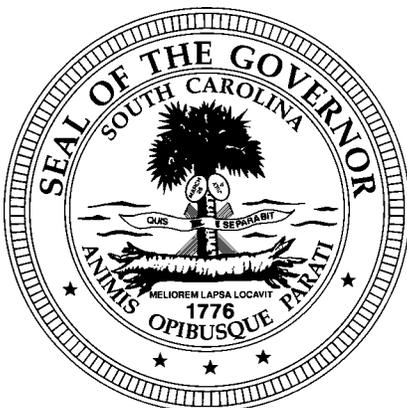
WHEREAS, the survival of the wolf in the United States depends upon continued public support and increased understanding of the essential role wolves play in nature; and

WHEREAS, "Wolf Awareness Week" offers a means for dispelling misconceptions about wolves and educating the public about the role predators play in maintaining biological diversity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13 – 19, 2002, as

WOLF AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of the preservation of predators such as the wolf.



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