

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, with a long and proud tradition of local artists and a growing population of beach music fans spanning across generations, South Carolina has designated beach music as the official popular music of the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, over the past 50 years, the development of beach music has contributed tremendously to the enjoyment of the citizens of our state, with the South Carolina General Assembly designating the Shag as the official Dance of the Palmetto State in 1984; and

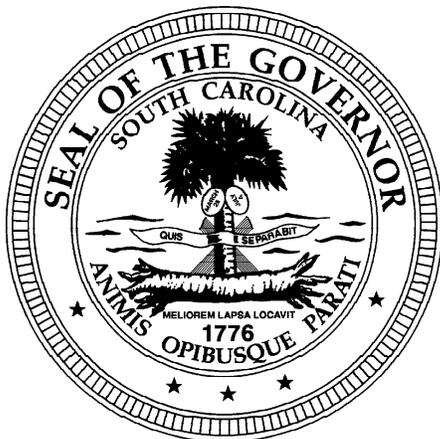
WHEREAS, each year, residents and visitors alike visit the South Carolina coast to enjoy the sounds of beach music, while participating in dance competitions and festivals that offer fun for the entire family; and

WHEREAS, as beach music has continued to grow and spread into national prominence, South Carolina has emerged as a leader in the development of this unique art form.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 18, 2001, as

BEACH MUSIC DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the positive impact of beach music on the enjoyment and cultural development of the citizens of the Palmetto State.



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