

*State of South Carolina*  
*Proclamation*  
*by*  
*Governor Jim Hodges*

**WHEREAS,** every child needs and deserves a safe, permanent and nurturing home; and

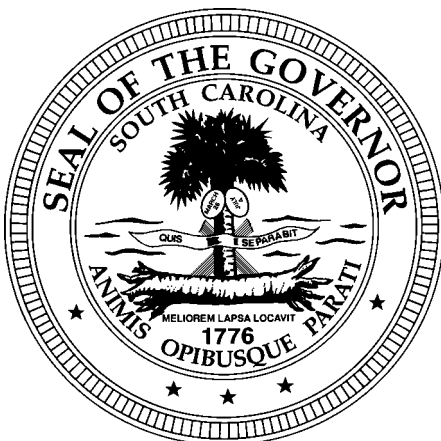
**WHEREAS,** the Children's Trust Fund awards grants to private, non-profit organizations engaged in a broad range of child abuse and neglect prevention activities from protection and safety to shelter, food, and social and cognitive development; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2002 observance of "Child Abuse Prevention Month" provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout the Palmetto State to team up to recognize the positive impact the Children's Trust Fund has on the quality and availability of child abuse and neglect prevention services in the Palmetto State.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 11, 2002, as

**CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND DAY**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to prevent child abuse and neglect in an effort to keep our children safe.



*Jim Hodges*

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