

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, a healthy heart is a vital part of a healthy person; and

WHEREAS, each year, an estimated 485,000 American women die from heart disease and stroke; and

WHEREAS, because the symptoms and defects associated with cardiovascular disease often affect men and women differently, continued research into women's heart health is necessary to ensure the early detection and treatment of heart disease and stroke in women; and

WHEREAS, the annual observance of "Women's Heart Week" provides an opportunity for citizens throughout South Carolina and the nation to promote heart health in women by focusing attention on the risk factors for cardiovascular disease in women, while emphasizing the need for differences in diagnostic tests and cardiac treatments for women.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 1 – 7, 2001, as

WOMEN'S HEART WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise public and professional awareness of cardiovascular disease among women.



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