

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

**WHEREAS,** severe weather can have adverse effects on the citizens of the Palmetto State, often causing loss of life and significant property damage; and

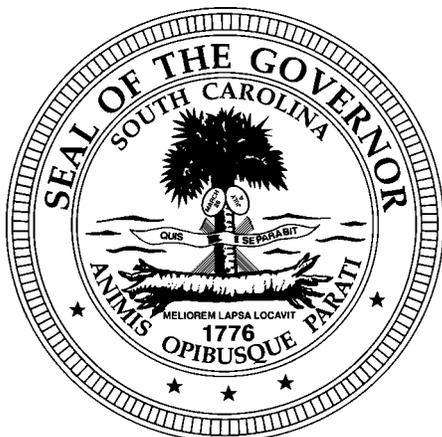
**WHEREAS,** a well-informed and prepared citizenry reduces the chances of personal injury and death associated with severe weather; and

**WHEREAS,** the Emergency Preparedness Division of the Office of the Adjutant General, the National Weather Service, and the American Red Cross are committed to working together to educate South Carolinians about severe weather safety and preparedness through the 2000 preparedness and education program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 20 – 26, 2000 as

**SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS  
WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join in this effort to increase public awareness of severe weather safety measures by participating in the 2000 preparedness and education program.



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