

# *State of South Carolina*

## *Proclamation*

*by*  
*Governor Jim Hodges*

**WHEREAS,** Cornelia de Lange Syndrome is a congenital syndrome that can result in low birth weight, a slow rate of mental and physical development, and other physical complications; and

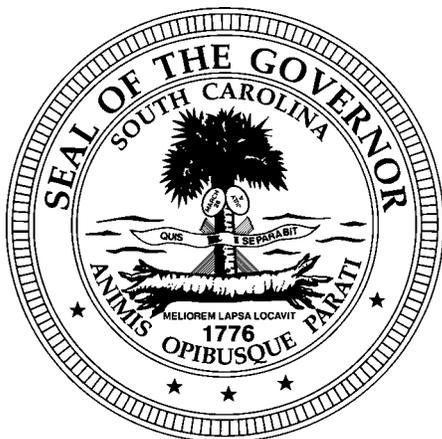
**WHEREAS,** the Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation is an international family support organization dedicated to ensuring early and accurate diagnosis of Cornelia de Lange Syndrome by promoting research into the causes and manifestations of the syndrome; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2002 observance of "Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Awareness Day" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of the Palmetto State to join together to raise awareness of this rare birth defect and to promote research into a possible cure.

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

## **CORNELIA DE LANGE SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to promote increased knowledge and understanding of this syndrome.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Hodges".

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