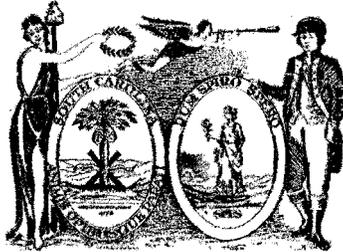


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Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

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WHEREAS, Charles Ray Sharpe resigned as Commissioner of Agriculture for the State of South Carolina by letter dated January 17, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to appoint a successor to the office of Commissioner of Agriculture as a result of Commissioner Sharpe's resignation from office pursuant to Section 46-3-40 of the South Carolina Code of Laws; and

WHEREAS, Hugh Weathers, residing at 334 Cascade Road, Bowman, South Carolina 29018, is a qualified and proper person to serve as Commissioner of Agriculture.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this State, I hereby appoint Hugh Weathers as Commissioner of Agriculture for the unexpired term.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 24th DAY OF
JANUARY 2005.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Saneord".

MARK SANEORD
Governor



MARK HAMMOND
SECRETARY OF STATE