

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

**WHEREAS,** water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and

**WHEREAS,** the health, comfort, and standard of living of the citizens of the Palmetto State depend upon an abundant and dependable supply of safe drinking water; and

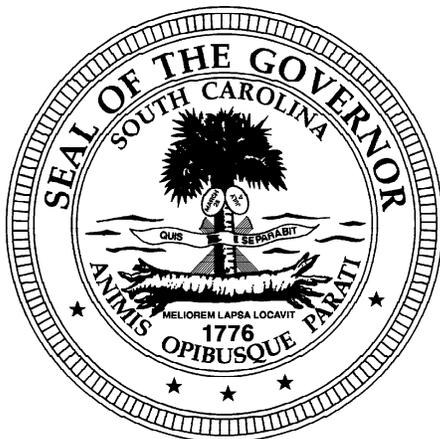
**WHEREAS,** the 2001 celebration of "Drinking Water Week" provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout the Palmetto State to learn more about water issues and to raise awareness of the importance of protecting our drinking water to the continued well-being of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** by working together to protect our source waters from pollution, practicing water conservation, and getting involved in local water issues, we can ensure the safety of our drinking water now and for future generations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 6 – 12, 2001, as

**DRINKING WATER WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to maintain clean and healthy drinking water throughout the Palmetto State.



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