

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, Americans of Scottish, Irish, and other Celtic descents contribute significantly to the economic development and cultural richness of our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Arbroath, the Scottish Declaration of Independence, was signed on April 6, 1320, and the American Declaration of Independence was modeled on that inspirational document; and

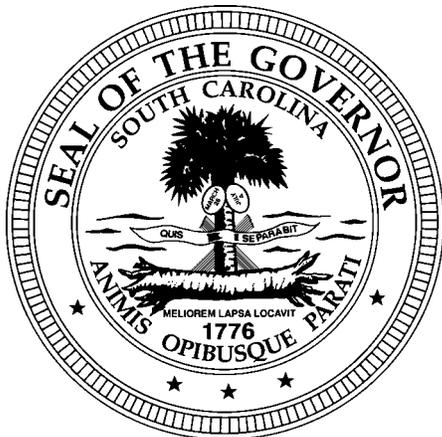
WHEREAS, through their achievements in the fields of science, technology, medicine, government, politics, economics, architecture, literature, media, and visual and performing arts, Scottish Americans have helped secure America's continued status as a leader in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 celebration of "Tartan Day" provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout South Carolina and the nation to recognize the positive impact of Scottish Americans on our rich and diverse history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 6, 2002, as

TARTAN DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor Scottish Americans for their many contributions to the economic and cultural development of the Palmetto State.



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