

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, founded by the Institute for International Sport and recognized by the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports and the United States Senate, National Sportsmanship Day is a unique program designed to promote sportsmanship and enhance students' leadership and academic skills; and

WHEREAS, National Sportsmanship Day challenges athletes, coaches, administrators, parents, and spectators to reflect on their own attitudes and actions concerning sports by providing a forum for debate and discussion of the issues of ethics and fair play; and

WHEREAS, reinforcing the principles of sportsmanship and fair play in students teaches them valuable lessons that can be used throughout their lives, not just on the athletics field or court; and

WHEREAS, the 2001 celebration of the 11th Annual National Sportsmanship Day will promote appreciation for the critical role of ethics, honesty, and fair play in athletics through student-athlete outreach programs, "The No Swear Zone", writing and art contests, coaches' forums, and other activities aimed at furthering the principles of sportsmanship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 6, 2001, as

SOUTH CAROLINA SPORTSMANSHIP DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to promote sportsmanship and ethics in athletics.



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