

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

**WHEREAS,** citizens throughout the Palmetto State donate their valuable time, energy, and talents to making a difference in the lives of others through volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS,** volunteers enhance the quality of life of our citizens by working to provide food and shelter for the needy, spending time with patients in hospitals, and safeguarding the health and safety of our young people; and

**WHEREAS,** volunteers throughout South Carolina donate their time and energy to helping ensure that our young people have the resources necessary to achieve their maximum potential, finding homes for children in need, providing quality educational and cultural opportunities, and working to prevent child abuse and neglect; and

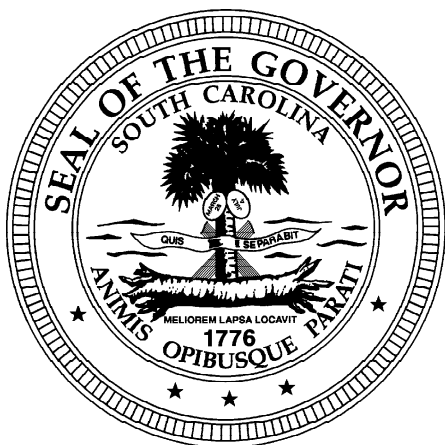
**WHEREAS,** through their selflessness and generosity, volunteers throughout the Palmetto State have shown that, through volunteerism, we can replace feelings of isolation with understanding and kindness; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2001 observance of "South Carolina Volunteer Week" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of the Palmetto State to come together in recognition of the many contributions made by volunteers to the continued well-being of our state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 22 – 28, 2001, as

**SOUTH CAROLINA VOLUNTEER WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the positive impact volunteers make in our communities.



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