

State of South Carolina

Proclamation

by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, school library media centers are key to teaching students not only to read but to learn the skills they need to seek, evaluate and use information throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, students from schools with professionally-staffed, fully-equipped libraries score higher on achievement tests; and

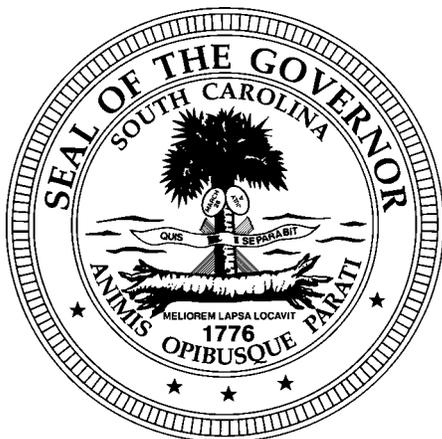
WHEREAS, school libraries throughout the Palmetto State provide our children with books, computers, videotapes, audio tapes and other resources to enrich their lives; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 observance of "School Library Media Month" provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout South Carolina and the nation to work together to raise awareness of the important role of the school library media center in preparing children and teens to live and work in an information society.

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

SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor the more than 1,200 school library media specialists and administrators across the Palmetto State for their many contributions to the future success of our young people.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Hodges".

Jim Hodges
Governor
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