

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Effie Leland Wilder has had a significant impact on her community, touching the lives of countless individuals through her warmth, compassion, and creativity; and

WHEREAS, as witness to many of the profound changes that have occurred during the past century, Effie Leland Wilder's unique perspective and experiences are of untold value and each of us can greatly benefit from her shared knowledge; and

WHEREAS, Effie Leland Wilder's best-selling books have brought national recognition to the Palmetto State, while providing entertainment and comfort for readers throughout South Carolina and the nation; and

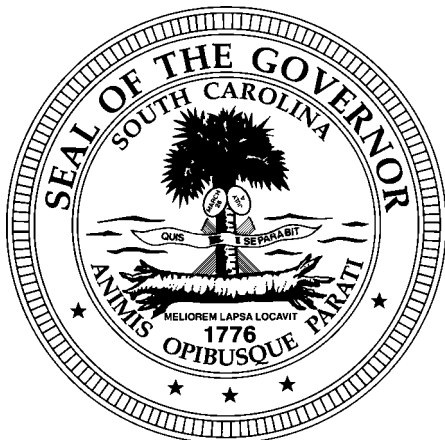
WHEREAS, as a recipient of Converse College's Distinguished Alumna Award and of the Order of the Palmetto - South Carolina's highest award - for her philanthropic work, Effie Leland Wilder is truly an inspiration to senior citizens throughout the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, August 28, 2001, marks a unique time for Effie Leland Wilder to reflect on the many blessings she has given and received throughout her life as she celebrates her 92nd birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 28, 2001, as

EFFIE LELAND WILDER DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor Effie Leland Wilder on this special day and to join me in wishing her and her loved ones the continued gifts of peace and joy in the coming year.



Jim Hodges
Governor
State of South Carolina