

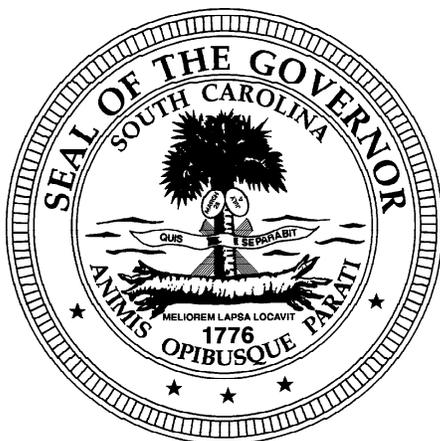
*State of South Carolina*  
*Proclamation*  
*by*  
*Governor Jim Hodges*

- WHEREAS,** the approximately 2.7 million registered nurses in the United States are committed to meeting the emerging healthcare needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and
- WHEREAS,** registered nurses exercise insight in assessing and caring for their patients, anticipating their needs and managing their health care experience; and
- WHEREAS,** South Carolinians benefit daily from the skills, knowledge, dedication, and care provided by registered nurses throughout the Palmetto State; and
- WHEREAS,** with the theme “Nurses are the True Spirit of Caring”, the 2001 observance of “National Nurses Week” provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout South Carolina and the nation to participate in events designed to highlight the diverse ways in which registered nurses contribute to quality healthcare and to the continued well-being of our citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 6 – 12, 2001, as

**SOUTH CAROLINA NURSES’ WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join me in honoring registered nurses for their commitment to quality healthcare in the Palmetto State.



*Jim Hodges*

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