

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** whether committed by sophisticated criminals, consumers, or by insurance company employees and owners, insurance fraud is an increasingly expensive burden on our nation's economy; and

**WHEREAS,** the cost of insurance fraud diverts vital resources away from businesses, law enforcement, the civil justice system, regulatory agencies and local emergency services; and

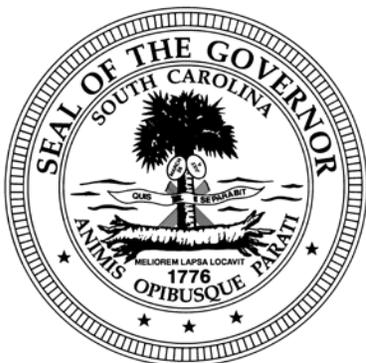
**WHEREAS,** insurance fraud costs each household in the Palmetto State through higher insurance premiums, costs of goods and services, and taxes; and

**WHEREAS,** working together to raise public awareness and understanding of insurance fraud can help prevent this illegal activity while promoting quality insurance services for our residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 9 - 13, 2009, as

### INSURANCE FRAUD AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to combat insurance fraud in the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**