

State of South Carolina

Proclamation

by

Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, cancer data - including patient demographics, anatomic cancer sites, stage of disease, treatment, and lifetime follow up - collected by cancer registrars is used by physicians to monitor treatment and continuing care of patients and by epidemiologists to monitor the cancer burden throughout South Carolina and the nation; and

WHEREAS, cancer registrars help health care professionals better meet the needs of patients with cancer by collecting and maintaining data on persons diagnosed with cancer, which is used in evaluating the success of specific treatments and in identifying, planning and implementing cancer prevention and control activities; and

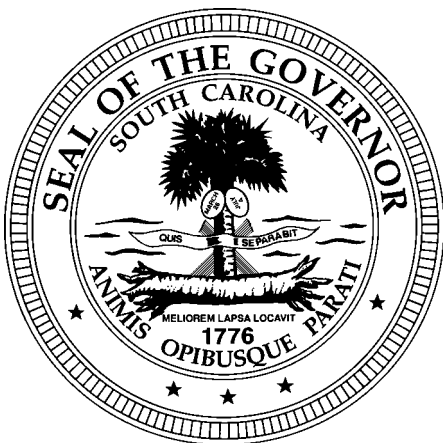
WHEREAS, cancer registrars throughout the Palmetto State are committed to promoting the latest medical advances in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 observance of "National Cancer Registrars Week" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of the Palmetto State to recognize the contributions that professional cancer registrars make to the field of allied health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 8 – 12, 2002, as

CANCER REGISTRARS' WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of cancer registrars to public health efforts throughout the Palmetto State.



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

Jim Hodges
Governor
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