

A    P R O C L A M A T I O N  
CONSERVATION PLEDGE DAY

WHEREAS, South Carolina and the United States have been  
bountifully endowed in natural resources, and  
WHEREAS, the social, economic and cultural advancement of  
our people are greatly dependent upon the utilization  
and conservation of our resources, and  
WHEREAS, the protection of our natural wealth should at all  
times be foremost in the mind of our people,  
THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, by the powers vested in  
me as Governor of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim  
February 5 as Conservation Pledge Day. I request that  
all schools throughout the state, all civic organizations,  
and patriotic assemblies, at some time during this date  
recite or have read the conservation pledge; I give my  
pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend  
from waste the natural resources of my country--  
its soil and minerals, its forests, waters, and  
wildlife.

Done at the city of Columbia,  
this 29th day of January, in  
the year of our Lord, nineteen  
hundred and forty-seven.

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J. Strom Thurmond, Governor