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A P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, in our relations with this troubled world of today, the moral and spiritual character of our people, and of the generations to come, will be of vital importance, and

WHEREAS, without a high degree of spiritual development, we can never realize that way of life which the world is capable of today and which we all so much desire, and

WHEREAS, religious education has been a deep rooted and fundamental part of the development of the people of this nation, and

WHEREAS, in view of the great scientific developments, the necessity for a comparable development in the character and personality of the people is more obvious today than ever before,

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, by the powers vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week, April 14-20, as Sunday School Week throughout South Carolina, and urge all of our citizens, civic and educational institutions and churches to pay particular attention in surveying our present religious educational institutions and to rededicate themselves to a more concerted and effective effort for the future.

Given unto my hand and seal this 8th day of April, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty seven.

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J. Strom Thurmond, Governor

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