

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

(Mother's Day)

WHEREAS, it is most fitting appropriate that we set aside one day of each year for the purpose of paying tribute to the Mothers of South Carolina, who have, throughout our history, done so much in uplifting our moral, political, and religious life, and

WHEREAS, Mothers have lived, worked, and sacrificed for the home--the foundation stone of our democratic life, and

WHEREAS, today homes are being broken at an alarming rate, and it is becoming evident that if we are to save our civilization we must save our homes,

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, by the power vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 11 as Mother's Day throughout the State, and urge that all families, churches, and civic organizations pay fitting and appropriate tribute to the Mothers of our State, and that as many sermons and programs as possible be dedicated to the observance of this day, to the end that the things that great Mothers have lived for shall be forever perpetuated.

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

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J. STROM THURMOND, GOVERNOR