

A P R O C L A M A T I O N
(Father's Day)

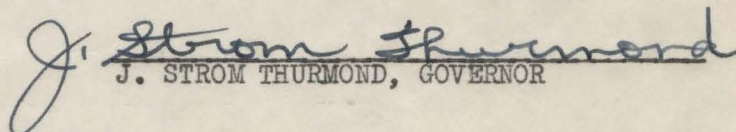
WHEREAS, the Fathers of our Nation have for centuries been the foundation-stone of our country, the protectors of our homes, and the moulders of our future, and

WHEREAS, the American people have paid special homage to their Fathers by not only obeying the biblical injunction, Honor thy Father, but by setting aside one day in the year for special commemoration of Fatherhood, and

WHEREAS, this year's Father's Day is consecrated particularly to Father and Child relationships and is dedicated to building a strong America through wholesome child upbringing,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, by the powers vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina do hereby proclaim Sunday, June 15, 1947 as "Father's Day," and I call upon the citizens of this commonwealth to commemorate the day with proper religious worship and public ceremonies conducted in the spirit of this year's theme, "Honor Father, Builder of our Children's Future." Let this day mark the re-dedication to family ties; let us never forget that the home is the real basis of potential happiness and that the Father is the guiding figure in that home.

WITNESS MY HAND and seal this 10th day of June, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven.


J. STROM THURMOND, GOVERNOR