

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

(Army Air Forces Day)

WHEREAS, the 1st day of August, 1947 will mark the anniversary of the United States Army Air Forces, and

WHEREAS, the soldiers of our Army Air Forces have proven themselves to be defenders of our freedom-loving people, loyal servants of our democracy, and our first line of defense against aggressors, and

WHEREAS, the benefits of research and development made by the Army Air Forces have aided the overall aviation program throughout the Nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, by the power vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim Friday, August 1, 1947, as "Army Air Forces Day", and call upon the citizens of South Carolina to observe this day by pledging their everlasting support to our Army Air Forces.

WITNESS MY HAND and seal this 25th day of July, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

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J. Strom Thurmond, Governor