A PROCLAMATION

(Marine Corps Reserve Week)

WHEREAS, realizing the position that the United States has attained in world leadership and the necessity for strengthening and maintaining its national integrity; and

WHEREAS, realizing the great services rendered to the United States by the Marine Corps and the reserve components thereof in time of peace as in time of conflict; and

WHEREAS, realizing further that wars are won by the support rendered to the national effort by the patriotic citizenry as evidenced by their willing response each time the United States has found it necessary to sound a call to arms against an aggressor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, in the interest of national security hereby proclaim the week of January 12-to January 18, 1948 as U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE WEEK, and urge the citizens of this State to join in the efforts of all Americans the nation over in doing their bit to aid the Marine Corps Reserve Enrollment Program.

Given under my hand and seal this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor.