

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

(BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK)

WHEREAS, it seems fitting that we should take notice of the needs of animals, birds, and all other living creatures which themselves cannot tell us of abuse, neglect, suffering, homelessness, and whatever ills may affect them, and

WHEREAS, a special opportunity to demonstrate our concern for these voiceless friends is provided during BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK by the sponsor, The American Humane Association, and its local affiliates in South Carolina, for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, now

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, realizing the great value of kindness and comfort to animals, and the spiritual uplift and happiness they daily bring into our lives, do hereby proclaim the period May 3-9 as Be Kind to Animals Week in South Carolina, and I urge all our citizens to join with the Societies in South Carolina for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in helping to bring about further kindly consideration of all our furred and feathered dependents, every week throughout the year, and particularly do I express the hope that the principles of Be Kind to Animals Week will be fostered among children, in their homes, in schools, and in all possible activities.

Given under my hand and seal
this 27th day of April, in
the year of our Lord, nineteen
hundred and forty-eight.

GOVERNOR