WHEREAS, farm accidents cause some 18,000 farm residents in the nation to lose their lives annually, and

WHEREAS, needless hazards on the farm can be prevented by a positive safety program which can be reduced to a minimum if vigilance and effort on the part of those so endangered, now

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby call upon the State to observe the period July 25-31, 1948 as NATIONAL FARM SAFETY WEEK. I urgently request each member of every farm family in the State to accept responsibility for eliminating at least one possible source of accidents during that Week. I also request that all persons and organizations concerned with agriculture and farm life to do everything in their power to encourage farm people to observe proper precautions by which they may make the farm a more safe place on which to live. I further urge that all farm people observe National Farm Safety Week by making a safety check of all hazards in their homes and on the farm.

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Forty-Eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor