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Selective Service Registration

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WHEREAS, Title I of the Selective Service Act of 1948, approved June 24, 1948, contains, in part, the following provisions:

"SEC. 3. Except as otherwise provided in this title, it shall be the duty of every male citizen of the United States, and every other male person residing in the United States, who, on the day or days fixed for the first or any subsequent registration, is between the ages of eighteen and twenty-six, to present himself for and submit to registration at such time or times and place or places, and in such manner, as shall be determined by proclamation of the President and by rules and regulations prescribed hereunder."

"SEC. 6. (a) Commissioned officers, warrant officers, pay clerks, enlisted men, and aviation cadets of the Regular Army, the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, the Coast Guard, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and the Public Health Service; cadets, United States Military Academy; midshipmen, United States Navy; cadets, United States Coast Guard Academy; members of the reserve components of the armed forces, the Coast Guard, and the Public Health Service, while on active duty; and foreign diplomatic representatives, technical attaches of foreign embassies and legations, consuls general, consuls, vice consuls, and other consular agents of foreign countries who are not citizens of the United States, and members of their families, and persons in other categories to be specified by the President, residing in the United States, and who have not declared their intention to become citizens of the United States, shall not be required to be registered under section 3 and shall be relieved from liability for training and service under section 4 (b)."

"(k) No exception from registration, or exemption or deferment from training and service, under this title, shall continue after the cause therefor ceases to exist."

"SEC. 10. (b) The President is authorized -
(1) to prescribe the necessary rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this title;"

"(5) to utilize the services of any or all departments and any and all officers or agents of the United States, and to accept the services of all officers and agents of the several States, Territories, and possessions, and subdivisions thereof, and the District of Columbia, and of private welfare organizations, in the execution of this title;"

"SEC. 15. (a) Every person shall be deemed to have notice of the requirements of this title upon publication by the President of a proclamation or other public notice fixing a time for any registration under section 3."

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do proclaim the following:

1. The registration of male citizens of South Carolina and other male persons residing in South Carolina who shall have attained the 18th anniversary of the day of their birth and who shall have not attained the 26th anniversary of the day of their
birth shall take place in South Carolina between the hours of
8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., E.S.T., on the day or days hereinafter
designated for their registration, as follows:

(a) Persons born in the year 1922 after August 30,
    1922, shall be registered on Monday, the 50th day of August,
    1948.

(b) Persons born in the year 1923 shall be registered
    on Tuesday, the 31st day of August, 1948, or on Wednesday,
    the 1st day of September, 1948.

(c) Persons born in the year 1924 shall be registered
    on Thursday, the 2nd day of September, 1948, or on Friday,
    the 3rd day of September, 1948.

(d) Persons born in the year 1925 shall be registered
    on Saturday, the 4th day of September, 1948, or on Tuesday,
    the 7th day of September, 1948.

(e) Persons born in the year 1926 shall be registered
    on Wednesday, the 8th day of September, 1948, or on Thursday,
    the 9th day of September, 1948.

(f) Persons born in the year 1927 shall be registered
    on Friday, the 10th day of September, 1948, or on Saturday,
    the 11th day of September, 1948.

(g) Persons born in the year 1928 shall be registered
    on Monday, the 13th day of September, 1948, or on Tuesday,
    the 14th day of September, 1948.

(h) Persons born in the year 1929 shall be registered
    on Wednesday, the 15th day of September, 1948, or on Thursday,
    the 16th day of September, 1948.

(i) Persons born in the year 1930 before September 19,
    1930, shall be registered on Friday, the 17th day of September,
    1948, or on Saturday, the 18th day of September, 1948.

(j) Persons who were born on or after September 19, 1930,
    shall be registered on the day they attain the 18th anniversary
    of the day of their birth, or within 5 days thereafter.
2. (a) Every male citizen of South Carolina and every other male person residing in South Carolina other than persons excepted by section 6(a) of title I of the Selective Service Act of 1948, who is within South Carolina and who shall have attained the 18th anniversary of the day of his birth and who shall have not attained the 26th anniversary of the day of his birth on the day or any of the days fixed herein for his registration is required to and shall on that day or any of those days present himself for and submit to registration before a duly designated registration official or selective service local board having jurisdiction in the area in which he has his permanent home or in which he may happen to be on that day or any of those days.

(b) A person subject to registration may register after the day or days fixed for registration in case he is prevented from registering on that day or any of those days by circumstances beyond his control or because he is not present in South Carolina or any of the other several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Territory of Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands, on that day or any of those days. If he is not in South Carolina on the day or any of the days fixed for registration but subsequently returns to South Carolina or any of the other several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Territory of Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands, he shall within 5 days thereafter present himself for and submit to registration before a duly designated registration official or selective service local board. If he is in South Carolina or any of the other several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Territory of Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands, on the day or any of the days fixed for registration but because of circumstances beyond his control is unable to present himself for and submit to registration on that day or any of those days he shall do so as soon as possible after the cause for such inability ceases to exist.
3. Every person subject to registration is required to familiarize himself with the rules and regulations governing registration and to comply therewith.

4. I call upon all officers and agents of South Carolina and all local boards and agents thereof, which may be appointed under the provisions of title I of the Selective Service Act of 1948, or the regulations which may be prescribed thereunder, to do and perform all acts and services necessary to accomplish effective and complete registration.

5. In order that there may be full cooperation in carrying into effect the purposes of title I of the Selective Service Act of 1948, I urge all employers and Government agencies of all kinds - State and local - to give those under their charge sufficient time in which to fulfill the obligations of registration incumbent upon them under the said Act and this proclamation.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor