A PROCLAMATION
(Closing Liquor Stores on August 10, 1948)

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, August 10, 1948, the Democratic Party will conduct its First Primary, and

WHEREAS, the potential traffic fatalities will be greater because of increased use of highways and the concentration of crowds, and

WHEREAS, the maintenance of sobriety will contribute to order and decorum in the proper expression of the Democrats in their political preferences, now

THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, in the interest of law and order, public morals and decorum, do hereby declare that it shall be unlawful to sell any alcoholic liquors on Tuesday, August 10, 1948, and order all retail liquor stores to remain closed throughout the day of August 10, 1948.

Given under my hand and seal this 6th day of August in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor