

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

(National Guard Day)

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed September 16, 1948, as National Guard Day to honor those who have served and those who are now serving their country in the National Guard, the Nation's first line of defense, and

WHEREAS, the National Guard is on this day commemorating the eighth anniversary of its induction into the Federal service for World War II, and

WHEREAS, The South Carolina National Guard has long and faithfully served both State and nation, in time of peace as well as in time of war;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, in order that we may honor our men of the National Guard, for their services to the State and Nation in every conflict in which our country has been engaged, do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 16, 1948, as National Guard Day in the State of South Carolina. I urge all citizens of this great State, to support in every way they can, the growth of the National Guard.

Given under my hand and seal
this 14th day of September in
the year of our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Forty-Eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor