

A P R O C L A M A T I O N
(Navy Day)

WHEREAS, this is the third year of peace which our beloved country has enjoyed since the cessation of hostilities, and

WHEREAS, this is the second year of our unified command system, and

WHEREAS, the Navy is a powerful arm of our unified command which stands ready at all times to safeguard freedom so dearly won in the late conflict, and to protect our national independence, and

WHEREAS, thousands of men and women of this state have served and are now serving with the forces of the United States Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps, and

WHEREAS, the people of this state wish to express their gratitude and sense of obligation to this distinguished branch of our armed forces,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do hereby designate and proclaim the 27th day of October 1948 as Navy Day, a day to signalize the tribute of the people of the State of South Carolina to the men, women, and ships of the United States Navy.

Given under my hand and seal
this 11th day of October in
the year of our Lord, nineteen
hundred and forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor