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

(National Optimist Week)

WHEREAS, the Optimist Clubs of the State of South Carolina are celebrating the period from November 7 to 13, 1948, as Optimist Week; and

WHEREAS, the significance and the achievements of the Optimists' "Friend of the Boy" program in the building of youth for tomorrow's world, have gained impetus nationally, and are recognized by the State at large as a means whereby the interests of unfortunate boys are diverted into channels of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Carolina recognize the accomplishments and progress of the Optimist movement within our State,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina do hereby proclaim that the week of November 7-13, 1948, be hereby designated as Optimist Week for the State of South Carolina.

Given under my hand and seal  
this 21st day of October in  
the year of our Lord, nineteen  
hundred and forty-eight.

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J. Strom Thurmond, Governor