A PROCLAMATION
(Bill of Rights Day)

WHEREAS, the American way of Life and Government shall not be undermined by current infiltration of foreign propaganda whose ideologies are diametrically opposed to those of the United States of America, and,

WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights shall not be used as a tool in foreign agents' hands to distort and destroy the basic principles for which the Bill of Rights stands, and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary NOW, more than before, to call upon the American People to do their utmost to act concertedly and with determination to better uphold the sacred principles of American Unity, upon which the Bill of Rights is based, and defend them from certain foreign agents' action, leading to the degeneration of the Bill of Rights, and,

WHEREAS, the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1941 and President Harry S. Truman in 1946, respectively authorized by Joint House Resolutions, signed a proclamation designating December 15, as Bill of Rights Day,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina do hereby designate and proclaim Wednesday, December 15, 1948 as "Bill of Rights Day" and call upon the officials of this state to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day, and to invite the people of this state to observe that day with appropriate ceremonies and prayer.

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

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor