Closing Liquor Stores on December 25, 1948

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WHEREAS, Saturday, December 25, 1948, Christmas day, is a holiday of deepest religious significance and is a national and legal holiday observed universally throughout South Carolina and the Nation as a day of festivities and worship, and

WHEREAS, every possible effort should be made to stimulate and maintain sobriety, order and decorum all during this great religious festival.

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 Saturday, December 25, 1948, and order all liquor stores to be closed throughout the day of December 25, 1948.

Given under my hand and seal this 22nd day of December in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor