A PROCLAMATION
(Closing Liquor Stores)

WHEREAS, Saturday, January 1, 1949 is a national and legal holiday, generally observed throughout South Carolina and the Nation, and
WHEREAS, traffic on the highways throughout the State is greatly increased, and
WHEREAS, in the past an unusual and appalling number of fatalities from accidents have occurred on this day, and
WHEREAS, every possible effort should be made to stimulate and maintain sobriety, order, decorum and safety,

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, January 1, 1949.

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