

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

(Good Neighbor Day)

WHEREAS, the seventeenth annual observance of Good Neighbor Day in the United States will mark the beginning of another Good Neighbor Year, and

WHEREAS, each successive day of 1949 will be fraught with significance to the rank and file citizens of all nations, who have it within their power to shape the world's destiny, and

WHEREAS, the millions in America earnestly desire to live as good neighbors with all persons at home and abroad, and are determined to preserve the joys of living for themselves and for their descendants, and

WHEREAS, the first day of the year is a fitting time to rededicate our lives to the high American principles of freedom and justice of mankind.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do hereby designate and proclaim January 1, as Good Neighbor Day, and the year, 1949, as Good Neighbor Year, for and in the State of South Carolina, and I call upon all citizens to properly observe this Day by holding good-neighbor meetings in churches, schools, and homes. Let us demonstrate the spirit of Good Neighbor Day by greeting each person with a hearty and smiling "Hello, neighbor". I further call upon my fellow citizens to set an example on Good Neighbor Day which will inspire them throughout Good Neighbor Year to work tirelessly in the discharge of our mutual responsibility, spreading among all peoples the spirit of understanding which alone can guarantee peace on earth and good will among men.

Given under my hand and seal
this 30th day of December, in
the year of our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Forty-eight.

GOVERNOR

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