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Hon. N. J. Matheny
South Carolina Sheriff's Association
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Gentlemen:

I have been informed that the South Carolina Sheriff's Association intends to publish a directory of all South Carolina Law Enforcement officials, including Federal, State and local officers.

The Sheriff's Association is to be congratulated on this worthy project. I believe such a directory will fill a long-felt need in our State, since it will furnish a ready reference to the many agencies and individuals having business with the Law Enforcement authorities.

I am proud of the splendid work our sheriffs are doing. To anyone who studies State Government matters, it is always a pleasure to associate with men who enforce the law. These are the men who must come to grips with the most fundamental problems of society. Law Enforcement officers must be men of courage, skill and determination and they deserve the cooperation of all good citizens in their vital responsibility.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Very truly,

J. Strom Thurmond
Governor

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