STATEMENT BY J. STROM THURMOND, GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA, ANNOUNCING APPOINTMENT OF R. FRANK BROWNLEE, OF ANDERSON, TO THE RESEARCH, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, TO SUCCEED WILTON E. HALL.

I have today appointed R. Frank Brownlee, of Anderson, to membership on the State Research, Planning and Development Board, succeeding Wilton E. Hall, also of Anderson whose term has expired.

Mr. Brownlee is an outstanding South Carolina businessman, whose wide experience in public affairs and in business matters of the State make him highly qualified to serve in this important position.

He is a native of Anderson, and is a graduate of Davidson College. A veteran of both World Wars, he served overseas with the 81st Division in World War I, and in 1942 he returned to the Army as a Major in the Air Corps, serving at Scott Field for two and one-half years as Assistant Director of Training.

Mr. Brownlee began his business career in Anderson in the cotton and fertilizer business, and later acquired an interest in an insurance business, which is now widely known as the Lawrence & Brownlee Agency.

He has served as president of the Anderson Rotary Club, and is now president of the Anderson Chamber of Commerce. He is a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church of Anderson, and is married to the former Miss Eunice Evans.

As a member of the Research, Planning and Development Board, Mr. Brownlee is qualified to render outstanding service to our State, and I am convinced that his high capabilities will find full expression in the important work of this Board.