WHEREAS, the movement to encourage the practice of friendship for the sick and shut-ins is being sponsored by the Shut-in-Clubs and through programs of other organizations, and

WHEREAS, this movement has served thousands of shut-ins throughout the State of South Carolina, encouraging them to overcome their handicap in time of distress and discouragement, and

WHEREAS, through this movement, spiritual uplift among shut-ins has been beneficial in moments of stress and futility, thus alleviating human suffering,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 30th as "SHUT-INS' DAY" in South Carolina, and on this day, all citizens, neighbors and friends of the shut-ins of the State of South Carolina are asked to remember the shut-ins in acts of kindness by visitation, cards and flowers or other small gifts.

Given under my hand and seal this 29th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Forty-Nine.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor