WHEREAS, human liberty and justice are endangered throughout the world today by forces which have at their core an intolerable lack of respect for God and his Word, and

WHEREAS, the American people, who stand in opposition to all enemies of human freedom, have tempered their love of liberty with a fundamental fear of God and belief in his laws, and

WHEREAS, religious education has strengthened our democracy throughout the years, particularly through its effect upon our children in Sunday School,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby designate and proclaim the week of April 11-17, 1949, as Sunday School Week in this State, and I request that it be suitably observed, and that all our citizens make a special effort to attend Sunday School during this period.

Given under my hand and seal this 31st day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Forty-Nine.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor