Mental Health Week

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A PROCLAMATION
(Mental Health Week)

WHEREAS traditionally, the care of the mentally ill has been a public responsibility, but it should also be the concern of every citizen of the State; and

WHEREAS if we are to make real progress in this field, the people of our State should know more of the facts about mental health, and the kind of care and treatment given to our mentally ill citizens; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, hereby proclaim the week of April 24 thru 30 as Mental Health Week in South Carolina, and invite all interested citizens to visit our Mental Hospitals or clinics to acquaint themselves with the treatment offered and the needs which are still unmet.

And, further, I urge the citizens and civic organizations in each of our communities to participate and give full cooperation to the Junior Chamber of Commerce and other organizations concerned with mental health, to the end that the children and adults of our State who are healthy may keep well, and the mentally ill may be helped and in many cases cured.

Given under my hand and seal this 11th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Forty-Nine.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor