

A P R O C L A M A T I O N
(Polio Emergency Week)

WHEREAS, the nation is experiencing the heaviest onslaught of epidemic infantile paralysis in its history, and not one State in the Union has escaped visitations of this cruel disease, and,

WHEREAS, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, in providing its vast services to the stricken now faces exhaustion of its funds, and, the work of the National Foundation must go forward if thousands upon thousands of little children are to be restored to health, and,

WHEREAS, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for the first time in its history is forced to hold an emergency drive for funds for patient care,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of September 8-15, 1949, as POLIO EMERGENCY WEEK and invite every citizen of our great State to give and give generously to the National Foundation's emergency appeal.

Given under my hand and
seal this 7th day of
September, in the Year
of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Forty-Nine.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor