A PROCLAMATION
(American Camp Week)

WHEREAS, American Camp Week is to be observed throughout the United States of America during the week commencing April 24 and places special emphasis on the opportunities camping offers for enriching the growth and development of the boys and girls of this nation, and

WHEREAS, camping is a way of life which gives expression to freedom in living, at the same time training our boys and girls in self-reliance through the dignity of work and play based on ideals and regard for human personality, and

WHEREAS, camping makes an inestimable contribution to American life by helping children understand what it means to be a member of a Democratic Society, and

WHEREAS, South Carolina with its camps in our parks, forests, and mountains possesses unusual facilities for life in the open, for camping and for the enjoyment of our God given resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of April 24 through April 30, 1950 as AMERICAN CAMP WEEK in South Carolina, and urge that every parent seriously consider the benefits of camping for their children and further urge that full advantage be taken of the opportunities our camps are prepared to offer.

Given under my hand and seal this 30 day of March, in the Year Of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor