

A P R O C L A M A T I O N

(Poppy Day)

WHEREAS, twice in the past thirty years the United States has been forced to defend its freedom against powerful enemies seeking to establish world domination, and

WHEREAS, the lives of many natives of South Carolina were sacrificed in these conflicts, and

WHEREAS, the memory of these heroic dead is cherished by and is an inspiration to us all, as we contend with the problems of today, and

WHEREAS, their service and sacrifice is symbolized by the memorial poppy of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby designate Saturday, May 27, 1950, as Poppy Day in the State of South Carolina, and urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy in honor of those who died for America.

Given under my hand and seal
this 18 day of May, in the
Year of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Fifty.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor