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

WHEREAS, an automobile race is to be held annually on Labor Day at the new raceway at Darlington, South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, this race is designed to provide a sporting event which is expected to be of permanent interest to automobile racing fans throughout the nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do hereby designate the 500-mile automobile race to be run annually by the new Darlington International Raceway, Inc., as the "SOUTHERN FIVE HUNDRED", and it shall hereafter be so known and distinguished.

Given under my hand and seal this First Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty.

GOVERNOR

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