WHEREAS, the approaching turning point of the mid-century finds mankind once again faced with the possibility of a world conflagration, and

WHEREAS, our only real hope for an enduring world peace is that mankind unite in true love and devotion to Almighty God, and to the principles of brotherhood He has given us,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, do hereby designate and proclaim Sunday, December 31, as a day of humiliation and prayer for world peace, and I call upon South Carolinians to unite in earnest prayer to Almighty God, asking that His blessings be upon our nation and all the nations of the earth.

Given under my hand and seal this 28 day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor