

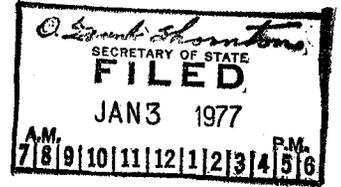
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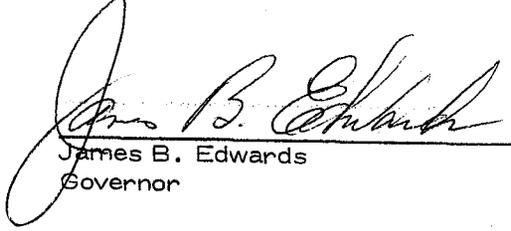


EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-1

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 76-37 dated December 21, 1976, the Commissioners of Election for the County of Lancaster were ordered to conduct an election in the County of Lancaster within forty-five days of said Executive Order on the question of annexation,

NOW, THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Executive Order No. 76-37 shall be amended so that said election will be held on February 22, 1977.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 3rd day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

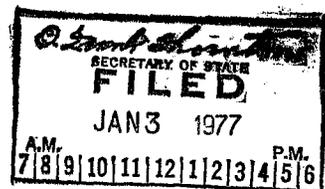
ATTEST:

O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

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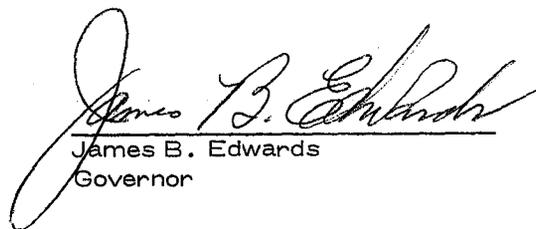


EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-2

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 76-36 dated December 21, 1976, the Commissioners of Election for the County of Kershaw were ordered to conduct an election in the County of Kershaw within forty-five days of said Executive Order on the question of annexation,

NOW, THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Executive Order No. 76-36 shall be amended so that said election will be held on February 22, 1977.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina this 3rd day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:

O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-3

WHEREAS, the railroad system within South Carolina is a viable part of the existing and continued economic growth of the State; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, by the Rail Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, finds that there is a national interest in providing the means to rehabilitate and maintain the physical facilities, improve the operations and structure, revitalize and restore the financial stability of the railway system of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, by the Rail Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, further finds that a key to the financial stability of the nation's railways is the provision of financial assistance to the States for rail freight assistance programs designed to cover service continuation payments; purchase of properties; rehabilitation and improvement of rail properties; and, reduction of the cost of lost rail service; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State of South Carolina to provide for the equitable distribution of federal assistance through establishment of an adequate plan for rail service which is consistent with and complementary to planning for other transportation modes within the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, I do hereby create the

South Carolina Rail Services Advisory Commission.

The Commission membership shall consist of fifteen persons appointed by the Governor as follows:

- 1) The Executive Directors of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, State Development Board, Public Railway Commission, Public Service Commission, Ports Authority, and Highway Department.
- 2) The Executive Directors of the South Carolina Railroad Association, Association of Counties, and Municipal Association;
- 3) Three persons representing railroad carriers operating within the state;
- 4) Three persons representing shipping interests;

The Commission shall provide overall direction and guidance in the development of a State Rail Services Plan. The Office of the Governor operating through the Division of Administration is hereby designated as staff to the Commission and as the single State agency for the purposes of Section 5(j) of the Department of Transportation Act, as amended.

The Commission together with the Division of Administration shall undertake planning and research necessary to develop and recommend to the Governor a State Rail Services Plan to include as a minimum, programs designed to cover:

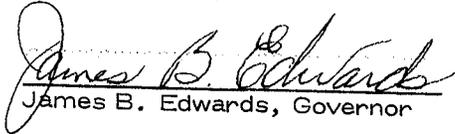
- 1) The cost of rail service continuation payments;
- 2) The cost of purchasing a line of railroad or other rail properties to maintain existing or provide for future rail services;
- 3) The cost of rehabilitating and improving rail properties on a line of railroad to the extent necessary to permit adequate and efficient rail freight service on such line;
- 4) The cost of reducing the costs of lost rail service in a manner less expensive than continuing rail service;

- 5) The Plan shall also provide recommendations concerning the permanent agency of State Government to administer and implement the Plan.

To further aid the Commission in carrying out the authorities and duties assigned herein, the Commission is authorized to hold public hearings utilizing the Division of Administration, and to afford participation in the development of the planning program to private citizens, local governments, relevant State and Federal Agencies, and other interested parties. The Division of Administration is authorized to comply with reasonable regulations for receipt of State program development grants pursuant to the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 and to request and receive, through the Secretary of Transportation, the assistance and cooperation of all Federal Agencies engaged in programs affecting the provision of rail service in this State.

Upon signature, this Executive Order will cancel, rescind and from this date declare null and void the Executive Order dated November 2, 1976, creating the South Carolina Rail Services Advisory Commission.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 4th day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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EXECUTIVE ORDER #77-4

WHEREAS, due to a shortage of power resulting from severe weather conditions, and

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the Chairman of the State Board of Financial Institutions and the President of the South Carolina Savings and Loan League to allow savings and loan institutions in the Pickens, Oconee, and Anderson County area to close from noon, January 20, 1977, until Monday morning, January 24, 1977,

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND ACT NO. 128 of 1973, I do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in that area and hereby authorize savings and loan institutions in the Pickens, Oconee and Anderson County area to close from noon, January 20, 1977, until Monday morning, January 24, 1977.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 20th day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

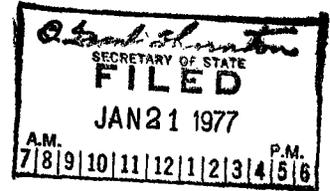
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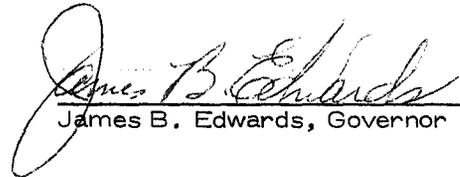
EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-5

WHEREAS, due to a shortage of power resulting from severe weather conditions, and

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the Chairman of the State Board of Financial Institutions and the President of the South Carolina Bankers Association to allow banks and cash depositories in the Pickens, Oconee, and Anderson County area to close on January 21, 1977, until Monday morning, January 24, 1977.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND ACT NO. 128 OF 1973, I do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in that area and hereby authorize banks and cash depositories in the Pickens, Oconee and Anderson County area to close on January 21, 1977, until Monday morning, January 24, 1977.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 20th day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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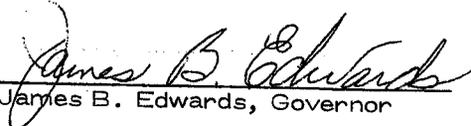
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EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-6

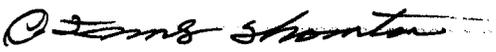
WHEREAS, I did by Executive Order No. 75-14 of October 28, 1975, establish the Office of Criminal Justice Programs within the Division of Administration, Office of the Governor,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, Executive Order #75-14, Dated October 28, 1975, is amended to include the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court on the Committee on Criminal Justice, Crime and Delinquency, and to increase the number of voting members on the Committee to a maximum of thirty (30).

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 31 day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-7

WHEREAS, there exists a severe shortage of natural gas, resulting from severe weather conditions, and

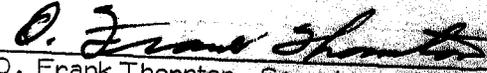
WHEREAS, the shortage has worsened to the extent that residential service is threatened,

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND ACT NO. 128 OF 1973, I do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in the State of South Carolina as of 6:00 a.m., January 29th, and do hereby direct the Public Service Commission to exercise their full authority so as to preserve the natural gas supply for the highest priority users in the State.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 28th day of January, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

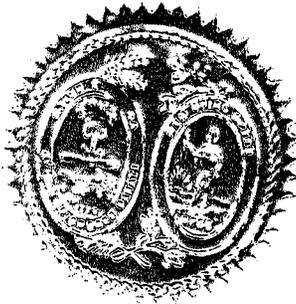
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EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-8

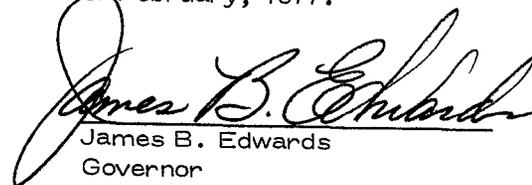
WHEREAS, I did by Executive Order of February 7, 1975,
create the South Carolina Manpower Services Council, and

WHEREAS, said Executive Order was amended on August 23,
1976, by Executive Order No. 76-17 to designate Jim W. Meredith as
Chairman of the Council,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon
me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, Executive Order No. 76-17
dated August 23, 1976, is declared null and void and L. Roger Kirk is
designated Chairman of the Council to replace Jim W. Meredith.



Given under my hand and
the Great Seal of the State
of South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 7th day
of February, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

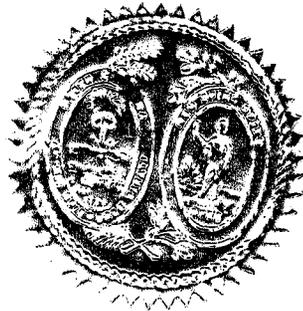
EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER **77-9**

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the Chairman of the Board of Financial Institutions and the President of the South Carolina Bankers Association to declare Monday, May 30, 1977, Memorial Day, a legal holiday for banks in South Carolina;

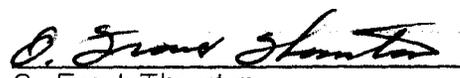
NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 64-154 of the Code of Laws of 1962 as amended, I hereby declare Monday, May 30, 1977, a legal holiday for banks in South Carolina.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 9th day of February, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

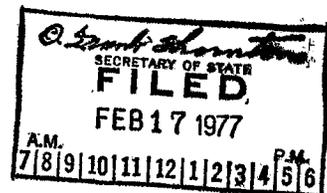
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Secretary of State

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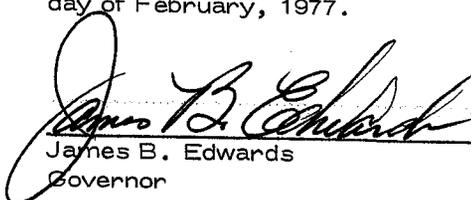


EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-10

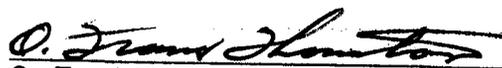
WHEREAS, I have been requested by the Chairman of the State Board of Financial Institutions and the President of the South Carolina Savings and Loan League to declare Friday, April 8, 1977, Good Friday, a legal holiday for Savings and Loan Associations in South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 64-154 of the Code of Laws of 1962 as amended, I hereby declare Friday, April 8, 1977, a legal holiday for Savings and Loan Associations in South Carolina.

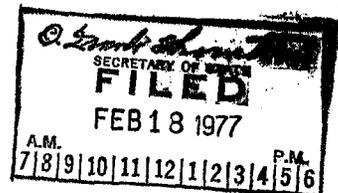
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 17th day of February, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER #77-10 A

PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, I do hereby declare that the herein described Executive Order is cancelled, rescinded and from this date declared null and void.

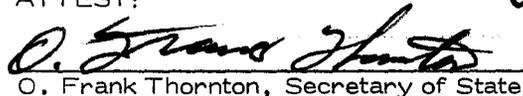
The description is as follows:

The Executive Order, #77-7, dated the 28th day of January, 1977, declaring that a state of emergency exists in the State of South Carolina, due to a severe shortage of natural gas, resulting from severe weather conditions.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 18th day of February, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:

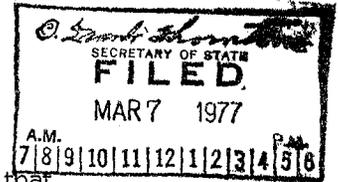

O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-11



WHEREAS, it has been brought to my attention that

Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., a member of the Horry County School Board, has been indicted by a Federal Grand Jury for violation of the laws of the United States under Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1014 and 656, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hester is scheduled to be brought to trial pursuant to said indictment, and

WHEREAS, under the above cited circumstances, I as Governor of South Carolina, am exercising the duty vested in me by Section 50-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, to wit:

Section 50-10. "Any state or county officer who is indicted in any court for any crime may, in the discretion of the Governor, be suspended by the Governor, who in event of suspension shall appoint another in his stead until he shall be acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant by the Governor and the vacancy filled as provided by law."

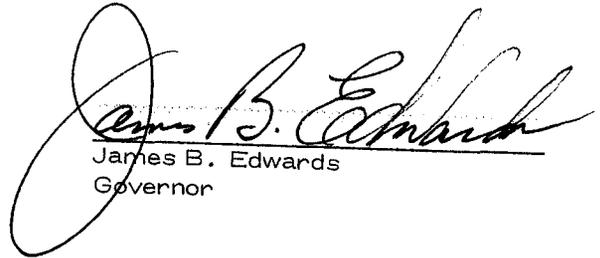
and Article VI, Section 8, of the Constitution of South Carolina, to wit:

Article VI, Section 8. "...Any officer of the State or its political subdivisions, except members and officers of the Legislative and Judicial Branches, who has been indicted by a grand jury for a crime involving moral turpitude or who has waived such indictment if permitted by law may be suspended by the Governor until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as may be provided by law."

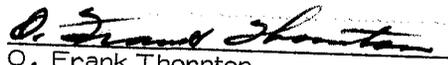
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., is suspended from the membership of the Horry County School Board and from the performance of any duties or functions of that office.

This action in no manner addresses itself to the guilt or innocence of Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., as that matter is properly before a court of competent jurisdiction and shall be determined in accordance with the laws.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 7th day of March, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

CC: Mr. Henry Clyde Hester, Sr.
506 Princess Anne Road
North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

3/29/77

EXECUTIVE AGREEMENT

TO THE EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY
OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

WHEREAS, the undersigned as Governor of the State of South Carolina, has made demand upon the executive authority of the State of Arkansas for the rendition of JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER as a fugitive from the justice of the State of South Carolina, and which demand is in the hands of the executive authority of the State of Arkansas, and

WHEREAS, the said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER stands charged in the State of South Carolina with the crimes of murder, armed robbery, and kidnapping, committed in said State, as more fully appears from the requisition and the papers and exhibits attached thereto, and

WHEREAS, the said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER is now under the jurisdiction of the Warden M. J. Hawk, Arkansas Department of Corrections, Grady, Arkansas, and

WHEREAS, the undersigned is informed and believes that said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER will not be released and discharged from imprisonment for a considerable length of time, and

WHEREAS, the undersigned and the prosecuting authorities of the State of South Carolina are desirous that said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER be brought to trial at the earliest possible date, and

WHEREAS, the powers and duties of the several States, including the State of South Carolina, in matters relating to interstate extradition are contained and prescribed in Article IV,

Section 2 of the Constitution of the United States which reads, in pertinent part, as follows:

A person charged in any State with treason, felony, or other crime, who shall flee from justice, and be found in another State, shall on demand of the executive authority of the State from which he fled, be delivered up, to be removed to the State having jurisdiction of the crime.

AND WHEREAS, the above provisions of the Constitution have been further implemented by the enactment by Congress of Section 3182 of Title 18 United States Code Annotated, providing as follows:

Whenever the executive authority of any State or Territory demands any person as a fugitive from justice, of the executive authority of any State, District or Territory to which such person has fled, and produces a copy of an indictment found or an affidavit made before a magistrate of any State or Territory, charging the person demanded with having committed treason, felony, or other crime, certified as authentic by the governor or chief magistrate of the State or Territory from whence the person so charged has fled, the executive authority of the State, District or Territory to which such person has fled shall cause him to be arrested and secured, and notify the executive authority making such demand, or the agent of such authority appointed to receive the fugitive, and shall cause the fugitive to be delivered to such agent when he shall appear. If no such agent appears within thirty days from the time of the arrest, the prisoner may be discharged.

AND WHEREAS, the Statutes of the State of Arkansas provide in Section 43-3019 thereof that the Governor of the State of Arkansas may, in appropriate cases, by agreement with the executive authority of another state, authorize the extradition from Arkansas to such other state of a person imprisoned in Arkansas in order to render such person amenable to the jurisdiction of such other state, upon the condition that he be returned to Arkansas; such Section providing as follows:

If a criminal prosecution has been instituted against such person under the laws of this state and is still pending, the Governor at his discretion either may surrender him on the demand of the Executive Authority of

another state, or may hold him until he has been tried and discharged, or convicted and punished in this state. Arkansas Statutes Ann. § 43-3019.

AND WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of South Carolina has declared that:

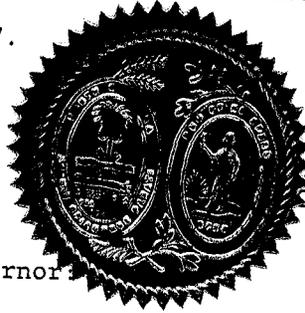
The power of a state to waive temporarily its strict right to exclusive custody of one confined for violation of its laws in order that another state may subject him to trial for a crime against it is a power inherent in sovereignty, founded on principles of comity as between sovereigns; it requires no affirmative statutory authority; such waiver is a matter that addresses itself solely to the discretion of the sovereign granting it. (Citations omitted) This power is appropriately exercised on the part of the state by the Governor, as its Chief Executive. Scott v. MacDougall, 246 S.C. 252, 143 S.E.2d 457 at 458, cert. den. 86 S.Ct. 299, 382 U.S. 920, 15 L.Ed.2d 235.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority hereinabove set forth and in consideration of the granting of said demand for the rendition of said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER, and the issuance of a warrant of arrest and a delivering up of said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER to the duly authorized agents of the State of South Carolina by the executive authority of the State of Arkansas, which said acts by the executive authority of the State of Arkansas shall constitute an acceptance of this agreement.

IT IS THEREBY AGREED by the undersigned, Governor of the State of South Carolina, that in the event said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER shall be acquitted following a trial in the courts of the State of South Carolina, or the prosecution in the State of South Carolina is terminated in any manner, said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER shall be returned to the State of Arkansas at the expense of the State of South Carolina, and that the Governor, or other acting executive authority of the State of South Carolina, shall upon demand of the

Executive authority of the State of Arkansas surrender said JOHN EDWARD SWINDLER to the duly authorized agents of the State of Arkansas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at Columbia in the State of South Carolina, and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of South Carolina, on this 29 day of March, 1977.



James B. Edwards
Governor of the State of South Carolina.

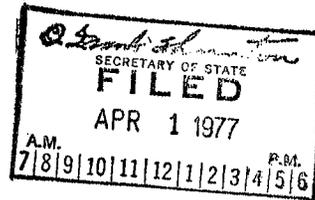
By the Governor:

Oscar Johnston
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-12

WHEREAS, effective and efficient delivery of appropriate services to meet the needs of handicapped citizens of the State of South Carolina is a matter of deep concern to all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the needs of the handicapped are diverse and require the active involvement of the public and private sectors in many areas; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that programs involving the handicapped be coordinated at the state level and the Governor advised on a frequent and continuing basis concerning the special needs of the handicapped; and

WHEREAS, it is important to have a cohesive group of advisors who are involved with the needs of the handicapped who have a high degree of self-initiative and, in many cases, who are themselves handicapped;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, I do hereby establish the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, with responsibilities as shown below:

- 1) To conduct a continuing program to promote the employment of handicapped persons;
- 2) To cooperate with the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped;
- 3) To cooperate with employers and with public or private agencies or organizations to develop opportunities for those with either physical or mental limitations;
- 4) To cooperate with all agencies involved in the rehabilitation and employment placement of the handicapped;

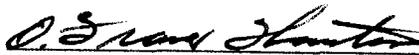
- 5) To encourage and assist in the organization of committees at the community level and work closely with such committees in promoting programs in their respective areas;
- 6) To conduct such educational programs as necessary in order to better acquaint the public with the numerous accomplishments of handicapped citizens;
- 7) To develop a program for greater employer acceptance of qualified handicapped workers;
- 8) To inform handicapped job seekers of specific facilities available to assist them in locating suitable employment;
- 9) To support responsible federal, state, or local programs designed to make more public buildings accessible to, and usable by, persons with physical limitations;
- 10) To report to the Governor on Committee activities, submitting recommendations necessary or useful in carrying out the purpose of this program.

All members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at his pleasure.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 30th
day of March, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

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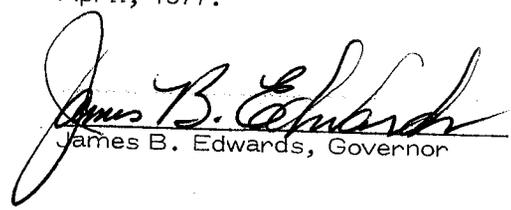
WHEREAS, Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., was duly indicted by a Federal Grand Jury for violation of the laws of the United States under Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1014 and 656, and

WHEREAS, Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., was suspended by the Governor under Executive Order No. 77-11 dated March 7, 1977, from the membership of the Horry County School Board under Section 50-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and Article VI, Section 8 of the Constitution of South Carolina, and

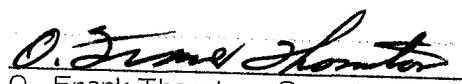
WHEREAS, Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., has been acquitted of all charges brought under the above said indictment,

NOW, THEREFORE, under the authority vested in my by the Constitution and Laws of the State of South Carolina, it is hereby ordered that Henry Clyde Hester, Sr., be immediately reinstated as a member of the Horry County School Board.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina, at Columbia, South Carolina, this 12th day of April, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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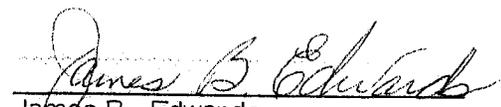
COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-13

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the President of the South Carolina Savings and Loan League and the Chairman of the Board of Financial Institutions to declare Monday, May 30, 1977, Memorial Day, a legal holiday for Savings and Loan Associations in South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 64-154 of the Code of Laws of 1962 as amended, I hereby declare Monday, May 30, 1977, a legal holiday for Savings and Loan Associations in South Carolina.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 12th day of April, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

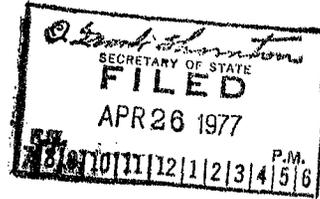
ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-15

WHEREAS, the availability of energy has emerged as one of the most serious problems facing South Carolina and the nation; and

WHEREAS, the ability of South Carolina to continue its economic goal of increased per capita income is directly dependent upon the availability of reasonably priced energy; and

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina must do all things reasonably possible to ensure such energy availability; and

WHEREAS, solutions to the energy problems developed for South Carolina can have national applicability; and

WHEREAS, formal programs of research, study, analysis and other activities are necessary for solutions to be found;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, I do hereby create the Steering Committee of the South Carolina Energy Research Institute (SCERI).

The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at his pleasure. The Governor shall designate the Chairman, and the Committee shall meet upon the call of the Governor or the Chairman.

The Steering Committee shall have the following powers and duties:

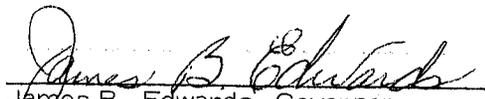
1) The development and implementation of the South Carolina Energy Research Institute to include:

- A) Recommendations for a Board of Directors, who shall be broadly representative of business, industrial, environmental, and consumer interests in the energy field.
- B) Taking necessary steps to become a non-profit, tax-exempt, eleemosynary corporation with appropriate by-laws, etc.
- C) Employment of such staff as may be necessary, and for which funds are available, to carry out the charge of this Executive Order.
- D) Provide for such office space and other physical arrangements as may be necessary, and for which funds are available, to carry out the charge of this Executive Order.
- E) Upon appointment by the Governor of the original Board, incorporation, and adoption of by-laws by the Steering Committee, the South Carolina Energy Research Institute will be turned over to the Board of Directors.
- F) Upon completion of its duties, the Steering Committee shall submit a report of this fact to the Governor.

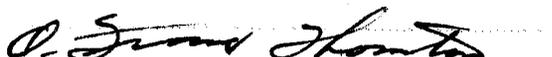
2) Be empowered to receive, disburse, etc., any federal, state or local funds as may be made available to it for the purpose of the South Carolina Energy Research Institute, subject to law and regulation.

The Governor will revoke this Executive Order upon finding that the Steering Committee has completed its duties.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 25th day of April, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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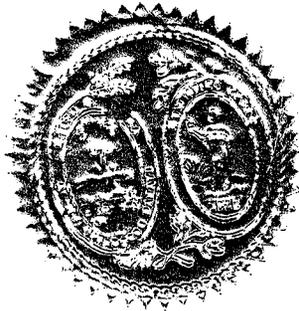
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 77-16

WHEREAS, it has been brought to my attention that James A. Dozier, Jr., a member of the Marion County Board of Education, has been convicted in a Federal Court for violations of the laws of the United States under Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 371, and

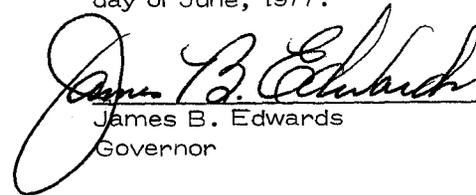
WHEREAS, under the above cited circumstance, I as Governor of South Carolina, am exercising the duty vested in me by Article VI, Section 8, of the Constitution of South Carolina, to wit:

Article VI, Section 8. ". . . . Any officer of the State or its political subdivisions, except members and officers of the Legislature and Judicial Branches, who has been indicted by a grand jury for a crime involving moral turpitude or who has waived such indictment if permitted by law may be suspended by the Governor until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as provided by law."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT James A. Dozier, Jr., is removed from the membership of the Marion County Board of Education and from the performance of any duties or functions of that office, and that the office is declared vacant, to be filled as provided by law.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 17th day of June, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER 77-17

WHEREAS, the toll of death, injury and property damage on our State's streets and highways continue to be a matter of grave concern demanding positive action by the State of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, The South Carolina General Assembly, by act approved on the 12th day of April, 1967, empowered the Governor to act in compliance with the Federal Highway Safety Act of 1966, which designated the Governor of each state as the responsible officer for the administration of the State Highway Safety Program; and,

WHEREAS, an official body of citizens of the State representing industry, local safety councils, political subdivisions, and interested citizens represent as yet an untapped resource and expertise which could be challenged with innovative ideas on reduction of the annual carnage on our highways through citizen involvement,

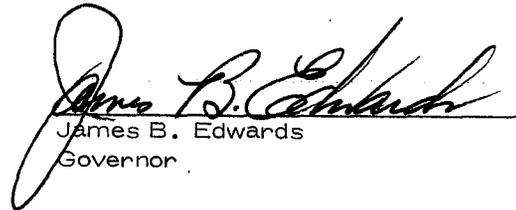
NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, I hereby create the Governor's Task Force for Highway Safety, the membership of which shall include the Governor who shall serve as Chairman, and the Governor's Representative for Highway Safety who shall appoint appropriate members statewide.

The Governor's Task Force for Highway Safety shall meet at least quarterly upon call of the Chairman to advise on such matters as the

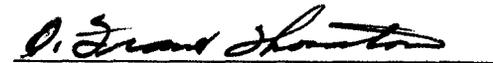
establishment of recommended highway safety goals, ideas and opinions of the public on Highway Safety, grass roots involvement in Highway Safety, legislative requirements to support Highway Safety goals and overall evaluation of the present status of Highway Safety in South Carolina.

Working Committees comprised of the Committee members and others may be established as required to investigate designated areas of Highway Safety improvement requirements.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 28th
day of June, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

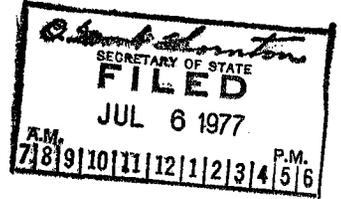
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O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-18

WHEREAS, by Executive Order of September 10, 1976, I did create the Coastal Zone Planning and Management Council to undertake the planning and research necessary to develop and recommend to the General Assembly a planning and management program designed to promote public health, safety and welfare in and the maximum beneficial use of the South Carolina coastal zone; and

WHEREAS, the Council has performed its duties as outlined in said Executive Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, I do hereby declare that Executive Order No. 76-20 dated September 10, 1976, is rescinded.

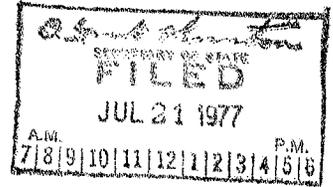
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 5th day of July, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:

O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-19

WHEREAS, in the absence of a highway communications system, the Citizens' Radio Service Class D Citizens Band (CB) offers the only existing method convenient to the public by which the motorist can enter the emergency response system from his/her vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the popularity of CB radios in vehicles on South Carolina highways represents a potential base for cooperation between our citizenry and emergency personnel to a degree never before experienced; and

WHEREAS, the scheduled installation of CB radios in vehicles of the Department of Highways and Public Transportation as well as Wildlife and Marine Resources, both with long range command radio capability, represents a statewide coverage by emergency personnel heretofore impossible; and

WHEREAS, the future role that CB radios will play in the solution of a problem of long standing -- providing for safety, security and service of the highway user -- should be guided by a joint effort from government and non-government interests from throughout the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, I hereby create the Governor's Citizen Band Radio Advisory Committee.

This Advisory Committee shall meet at least quarterly and shall be composed of, but not limited to, representatives recommended by the Executive Directors of each of the following offices and organizations and appointed by the Governor:

- S. C. Department of Highways and Public Transportation
- S. C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Department
- Department of Health and Environmental Control
- Disaster Preparedness Agency
- Forrestry Commission
- Parks, Recreation and Tourism
- S. C. Office of Criminal Justice Programs
- S. C. Telecommunications Advisor
- S. C. Law Enforcement Officers Association
- Motor Transport Association of South Carolina
- ALERT
- REACT
- Sheriff's Association
- Association of Chiefs of Police
- S. C. Chapter American Red Cross
- S. C. C. B. Associations
- Three (3) Members at Large

All terms shall be coterminous with that of the Governor, and all vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 21 day of July, 1977.



JAMES B. EDWARDS, Governor

ATTEST:

O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-20

WHEREAS, it has come to my attention that Dr. Earl A. McDowell, a member of the Greenville County Board of Health, was convicted on July 23, 1977, in the General Sessions Court of Greenville County on a charge of murder, and

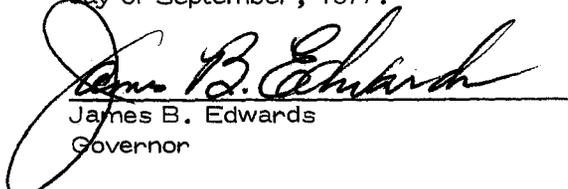
WHEREAS, by virtue of this conviction on a criminal charge, I, as Governor of South Carolina, am exercising the authority vested in me by Section 8-1-100 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, to wit:

Section 8-1-100. "Any State or county officer who is indicted in any court for any crime may, in the discretion of the Governor, be suspended by the Governor, who in event of suspension shall appoint another in his stead until he shall be acquitted. In case of conviction, the office shall be declared vacant by the Governor and the vacancy filled as provided by law..."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

The seat on the Greenville County Board of Health, now occupied by Dr. Earl A. McDowell, is hereby declared vacant.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 15th day of September, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-21

WHEREAS, it has been brought to my attention that Mr. Robert Ford, a member of Charleston City Council, has been indicted by the Grand Jury for Charleston County on charges of forgery, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ford is scheduled to be brought to trial pursuant to said indictment, and

WHEREAS, under the above cited circumstances, I, as Governor of South Carolina, am exercising the duty vested in me by Article VI, Section 8, of the Constitution of South Carolina, to wit:

Article VI, Section 8. "...Any officer of the State or its political subdivisions, except members and officers of the Legislative and Judicial Branches, who has been indicted by a grand jury for a crime involving moral turpitude or who has waived such indictment if permitted by law may be suspended by the Governor until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as may be provided by law."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Robert Ford is suspended from the membership of the Charleston City Council and from the performance of any duties or functions of that office.

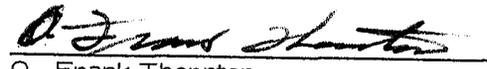
This action in no manner addresses itself to the guilt or innocence of Robert Ford, as that matter is properly before a court

of competent jurisdiction and shall be determined in accordance with
the laws.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of South
Carolina at Columbia, South
Carolina, this 22 day of
September, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

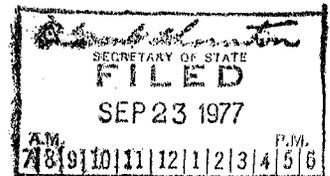
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

77-22



WHEREAS, it appears to my satisfaction that Judge George Wallace Harrelson, Horry County Magistrate, has been duly indicted by the Horry County Grand Jury on charges of: 1) accessory after the fact of a felony; 2) violation of Section 22-1-70 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), failure to report embezzlement; and 3) violation of Section 22-1-90 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), failure to turn in fines; and

WHEREAS, Judge Harrelson is scheduled to be brought to trial pursuant to said indictment; and

WHEREAS, under the above cited circumstances, I, as Governor of the State of South Carolina, am exercising the duty vested in me by Article VI, Section 8 of the Constitution of South Carolina, to wit:

"Whenever it appears to the satisfaction of the Governor that probable cause exists to charge any officer of the State or its political subdivisions who has the custody of public or trust funds with embezzlement or the appropriation of public or trust funds to private use, then the Governor shall direct his immediate prosecution by the proper officer, and upon indictment by a Grand Jury, . . .the Governor shall suspend such officer and appoint one in his stead, until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction, the position shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as may be provided by law."

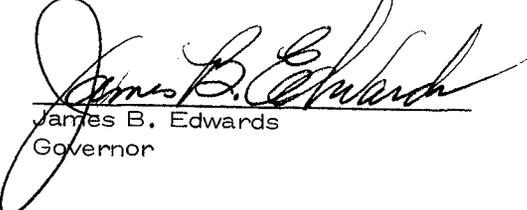
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

That Judge George Wallace Harrelson is immediately suspended from the office of Horry County Magistrate until he is formally tried and either acquitted or convicted.

This action by me in no manner addresses itself to the question of the guilt or innocence of Judge Harrelson, as that matter is properly before

a court of competent jurisdiction and shall be determined in accordance with the laws.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 22
day of September, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-23

WHEREAS, it has been brought to my attention that C. Kenneth Bridges, Mayor of the Town of Heath Springs, has been convicted by the Lancaster County Grand Jury on the charge of Conspiracy to Accept a Bribe, and

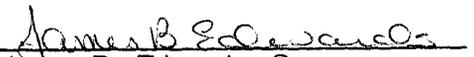
WHEREAS, under the above cited circumstances, I as Governor of South Carolina, am exercising the duty vested in me by Article VI, Section 8, of the Constitution of South Carolina, to wit:

Article VI, Section 8. "...Any officer of the State or its political subdivisions, except members and officers of the Legislature and Judicial Branches, who has been indicted by a grand jury for a crime involving moral turpitude or who has waived such indictment if permitted by law may be suspended by the Governor until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as provided by law."

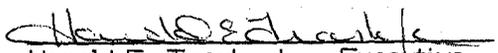
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

C. Kenneth Bridges is removed from the Office of Mayor of the Town of Heath Springs and from the performance of any duties or functions of that office, and that the office is declared vacant, to be filled as provided by law.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 11th day of October, 1977.


James B. Edwards, Governor

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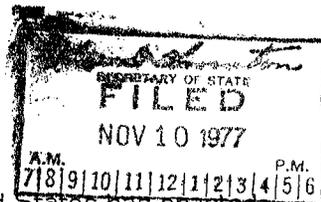

Harold E. Trask, Jr., Executive Assistant for Legal Affairs

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-24



WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted Public Law 94-580, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, which mandates establishment of intergovernmental planning and implementation programs directed toward improvement of solid waste, hazardous waste and resource conservation practices across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Section 4006 of Public Law 94-580 requires that the Governor of each state, after consultation with local elected officials, shall promulgate regulations identifying the boundaries of each area within the State which, as a result of urban concentrations, geographic conditions, markets, and other factors, is appropriate for carrying out regional solid waste management; and,

WHEREAS, the identification of such areas in South Carolina has been accomplished by: the establishment of a Governor's Solid Waste Advisory Committee composed of representatives of general purpose local governments, industry, state government, and areawide planning agencies; sponsorship of regional meetings at which the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act was explained to local elected and appointed officials; and, correspondence by the Governor with the Chairmen of the State's 46 County Councils, the Mayor of each incorporated municipality, the chief executives of water quality management planning agencies, and others;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, there are hereby created forty-six solid waste management planning areas, the boundaries of which shall be coterminous with the boundaries of the Counties of South Carolina. The State of South Carolina is hereby designated the region for hazardous waste planning purposes, and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is designated the agency responsible for hazardous waste planning. Designation of regions for resource recovery purposes is deferred pending receipt of further guidance from the Environmental Protection Agency.

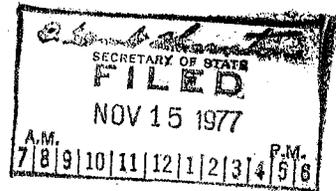
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 10th day of November, 1977.


JAMES B. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


O. FRANK THORNTON
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-25

WHEREAS, the shrimping industry in South Carolina's coastal counties has suffered severely as a result of the prolonged freezing temperatures of the recent winter which caused a decrease in the shrimp harvested this year, and

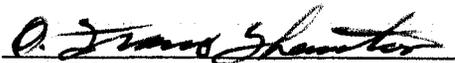
WHEREAS, this decrease in harvest has caused the shrimping industry to suffer substantial economic injury,

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, I do hereby declare that a disastrous condition exists for the shrimping industry in South Carolina's coastal counties.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 14th day of November, 1977.


JAMES B. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

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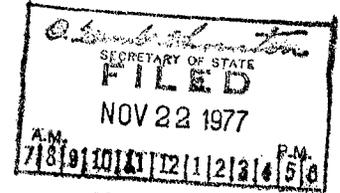

O. FRANK THORNTON
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-26



WHEREAS, uneconomic uses of the State's flood plains may be occurring and potential flood losses are increasing despite substantial efforts to control floods; and

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina has extensive and continuing programs for the construction of State owned buildings, roads and other facilities, and annually acquires and disposes of lands in flood hazard areas; and

WHEREAS, federal assistance for the purchase or development of such lands is dependent upon State participation in the National Flood Insurance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Insurance Administration has promulgated and adopted rules and regulations governing eligibility of State governments to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (24 CFR, Chapter X, Sub-Chapter B), which participation depends on State compliance with specified minimum flood plain management criteria; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Water Resources Commission is the designated State Coordinating Agency as described in Section 1909.1 and Section 1910.25(3) of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Insurance Administration published in the Federal Register, Volume 41, No. 207, October 26, 1976; to be responsible for State-coordination and participation required by the Federal Insurance Administration under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, as Governor of this State, I hereby direct:

That the South Carolina Water Resources Commission is designated as the agency to provide coordination of Section 1910.12, Rules and Regulations of the Federal Insurance Administration, and will be responsible to encourage a broad and unified effort to prevent uneconomic uses and development of the State's flood plains and in particular, to lessen the risk of flood losses in connection with State lands and installations and State financed or supported improvements. All State agencies responsible for construction or administration of grants or loans for State owned structures shall coordinate, cooperate, and advise the Water Resources Commission in this regard.

That all State agencies directly responsible for the construction of buildings, structures, roads or other facilities shall preclude the uneconomic, hazardous, or unnecessary use of construction in the flood plain; the flood plain management criteria set forth in Section 1910.3 of the National Flood Insurance Regulations shall apply as applicable.

That all State agencies responsible for the administration of grant or loan programs involving the construction of buildings, structures, roads or other facilities, shall evaluate flood hazards in connection with such facilities and, in order to minimize the exposure of facilities to potential flood damage and the need for future State expenditures for flood protection and flood disaster relief, shall preclude the uneconomic, hazardous or unnecessary use of flood plains in such connection.

That all State agencies responsible for programs which affect land use planning, including State permit programs, shall take flood hazards into account to the extent possible by law when evaluating plans and shall encourage land use appropriate to the degree of hazard involved.

That all State agencies shall assess their existing buildings and facilities to determine if they are flood prone. Whenever renovation or rehabilitation of flood prone buildings is planned, all necessary and feasible flood proofing or other flood protection measures shall be incorporated.

Each State agency shall determine whether the proposed action will occur in a flood plain based on Department of Housing and

Urban Development (HUD) flood plain maps or more detailed maps if available. If such maps are not available, the agency shall consult with the Water Resources Commission and make a determination of the location of the flood plain based on the best available information.

The head of each State agency shall, within one year of the effective date of this order, issue appropriate rules and regulations to govern the implementation of the provisions of this order by his/her agency.

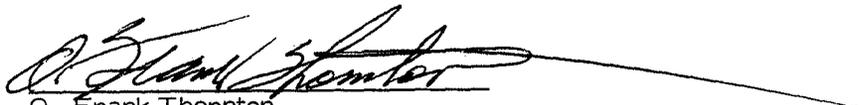
Until such time as each agency has issued rules and regulations in accordance with the above paragraphs of this order, such agency shall comply with Section 1910 of the Rules and Regulations of the National Flood Insurance Program.

This Executive Order shall take effect on the 1st of October, 1977.

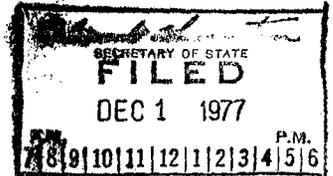
Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 22nd
day of November, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

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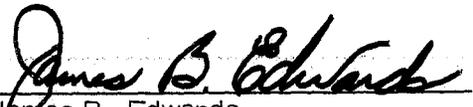


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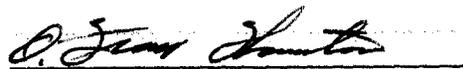
WHEREAS, I have been requested by the Chairman of the Board of Financial Institutions and the President of the South Carolina Bankers Association to declare Saturday, December 24th, and Saturday, December 31st, a legal holiday for banks in South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 53-5-40 of the Code of Laws of 1976, I hereby declare Saturday, December 24, 1977, and Saturday, December 31, 1977, as legal holidays for banks in South Carolina.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 30th day of November, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

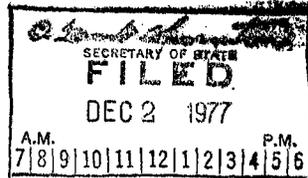
ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

COLUMBIA



EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-28

WHEREAS, the terms of three members of the Board of Trustees for School District No. II in Sumter County have expired and no election has been held as required by law, and

WHEREAS, the Governor is given the authority under Section 7-13-1170 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina to order, provide for and hold an election where the election officials have failed to provide for such an election,

NOW, THEREFORE, under the authority vested in me by Section 7-13-1170 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1) The Commissioners of Election of Sumter County shall, on the 10th day of January, 1978, conduct an election in the area of School District No. II of Sumter County in order to elect the following three members of the Board of Trustees:

A) One member of the Board of Trustees of School District II in Sumter County to represent Area I which consists of Pinewood Division, Sumter W. Division (less E.D.'s 94,96 and 97), Sumter S.W. Division, Privateer Division and Horatio Division (less E.D. 88).

B) One member of the Board of Trustees of School District II in Sumter County to represent Area II which consists of Rembert Division, Sumter N.W. Division, Sumter N. Division (less E.D.'s 80 and 81), and Shaw Division (plus E.D. 88).

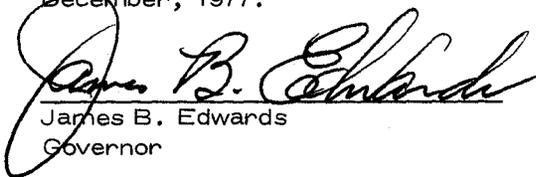
C) One member of the Board of Trustees of School District II in Sumter County to represent Area III which consists of Sumter N.E. Division (less E.D. 74), Sumter S.E. Division (less E.D.'s 18, 19, 20 and 21), Shiloh Division and Mayesville Division.

2) The Commissioners of Election for the County of Sumter shall canvass the returns of the managers of each voting place in the County of Sumter as such returns are canvassed in general elections and shall certify the results thereof in a tabulated statement of the vote at each polling place to the Secretary of State.

3) The Commissioners of Election for the County of Sumter shall decide all cases of protest or contest that may arise in said election.

4) The Commissioners of Election for the County of Sumter shall conduct said election in accordance with all applicable constitutional and statutory provisions relating to elections.

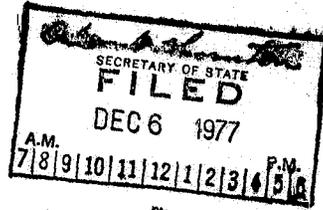
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 2nd day of December, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State

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EXECUTIVE ORDER #77-29

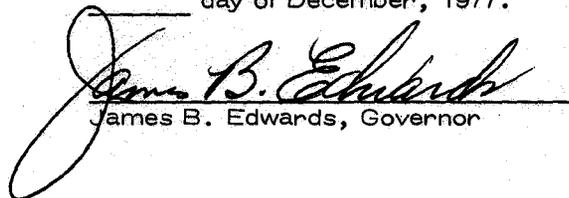
WHEREAS, it has come to my attention that Judge George Wallace Harrelson, Horry County Magistrate, has entered a guilty plea and been sentenced by the General Sessions Court of Horry County for violation of Section 22-1-70 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, to wit:

Section 22-1-70. Disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected by magistrates in criminal cases.

All fines and penalties imposed and collected by magistrates in criminal cases must be forthwith turned over by them to the county treasurers of their respective counties for county purposes. But when by law any person is entitled, as informer, to any portion of such fine or penalty, such portion shall be immediately paid over to him. If any magistrate shall neglect or refuse to pay over all fines and penalties collected by him in any criminal cause or proceeding he shall, on conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars and imprisonment for not less than three nor more than six months and shall be dismissed from office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF HIS CONVICTION UNDER Section 22-1-70 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina (Disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected by magistrates in criminal cases.) Judge George Wallace Harrelson is hereby removed from the office of Horry County Magistrate and that office is declared vacant.

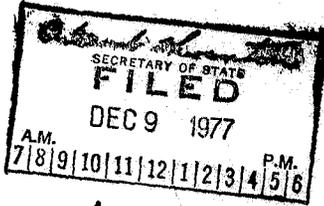
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James B. Edwards, Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton, Secretary of State

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EXECUTIVE ORDER # 77-30

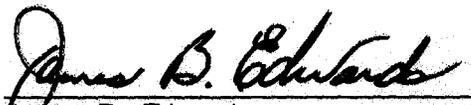
WHEREAS, Robert Ford was duly indicted by the Grand Jury of Charleston County on charges of forgery, and

WHEREAS, Robert Ford was suspended by the Governor by Executive Order No. 77-21, dated September 22, 1977, from membership on the Charleston City Council under Article VI, Section 8 of the Constitution of South Carolina, and

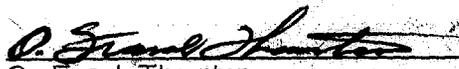
WHEREAS, we have been informed by the Solicitor for the Ninth Judicial Circuit that the charges contained in the indictment against Robert Ford have been nol prossed,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of South Carolina, Robert Ford is hereby reinstated as a member of the Charleston City Council.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 8th day of December, 1977.


James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:


O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State