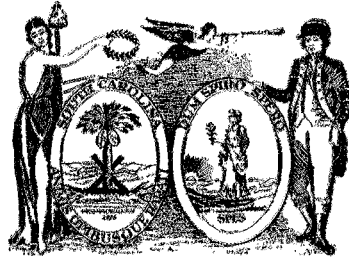


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Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2003-17

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina expects an unusually large number of citizens to congregate at the State House during the period of June 27 through July 1, 2003, for funeral services honoring United States Senator Strom Thurmond; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia is expecting extreme traffic conditions which will cause these citizens additional undue stress; and


WHEREAS, the South Carolina National Guard is prepared to provide the personnel and equipment necessary to assist these citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of South Carolina, I hereby direct the Adjutant General to place on state duty South Carolina National Guard personnel and equipment, as deemed necessary, to fulfill the mission in support of the State's citizens. National Guard personnel and equipment deployment should be coordinated through the Emergency Preparedness Division.

This Order shall take effect immediately and is retroactive to June 27, 2003.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA, THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE,
2003


MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST:


MARK HAMMOND
Secretary Of State