## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98-18**

**WHEREAS**, the South Carolina Forestry Commission is working to contain a wildfire in mountainous terrain within the Table Rock State Park in Northern Pickens county; and

**WHEREAS**, the state has been under drought conditions due to an extended period of extremely high temperatures, and containment of the wildfire is imperative in order to protect resources, lives, and property; and

**WHEREAS**, because firefighters must walk for approximately four hours over mountainous terrain to reach the scene, the Forestry Commission has requested the assistance of the National Guard to provide aviation support to transport personnel and equipment to a zone near the fire.

**NOW THEREFORE,** by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statues of this State, I hereby direct the Adjutant General to place on state duty and utilize the South Carolina National Guard's personnel and equipment, as he deems necessary, to fulfill the stated mission.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1998.

DAVID M. BEASLEY GOVERNOR

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