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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Executive Office

Columbia

EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, it appears to my satisfaction that Carl Jones, a member of Greenville County Council, is under three separate indictments (possession of marijuana, possession of dangerous drugs and use of improper license plates) by the Chatham County Georgia Grand Jury, and

WHEREAS, Section 50-10 of the 1962 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, states:

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:

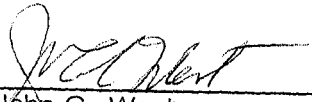
(1) The immediate suspension of Carl Jones as a member of Greenville County Council until such time as he is tried and either acquitted or convicted on all three charges cited hereinabove;

(2) The immediate appointment of J. P. Lowry to Mr. Jones' seat on Greenville County Council, to hold said office in accordance with the provisions of the statute hereinabove quoted.

This action by me in no manner addresses itself to the question of the guilt or innocence of Mr. Jones, as that matter is properly before a court of competent jurisdiction and shall be determined in accordance with the laws.

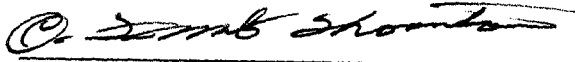


Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 10th
day of January, 1973.



John C. West
Governor of South Carolina

ATTEST:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State