EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, it appears to my satisfaction that a danger exists to the person and property of citizens of the area designated herein and that the peace and tranquillity is threatened in the area herein designated,

NOW, THEREFORE,

PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, I do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency exists in the City of Florence and in an area described as follows around the City of Florence:

The entire area of the City of Florence and the metropolitan area around the City of Florence bounded on the west and north by Interstate 95 starting at Middle Branch and continuing to Black Creek, continuing from Black Creek to State Highway 327, continuing on State Highway 327 to US Highway 76-301, continuing west on US Highway 76-301 to the property of the Florence City-County Airport, continuing on the eastern boundary of the Florence City-County Airport property to National Cemetery Road, then south to the convergence of Jefferies Creek and Middle Swamp, continuing south along Middle Swamp around to the Pamplico Highway, east on the Pamplico Highway to Howe Springs Road, along Howe Springs Road to Alligator Road, including the property of Southside Junior High and South Florence High schools, and continuing on Alligator Road to Knollwood Drive, continuing north of Knollwood Drive to Middle Swamp, continuing west along Middle Swamp to Interstate 95;

and in order to minimize the dangers to life, limb and property, I do hereby authorize and direct:

That any and all law enforcement officers of the State and its subdivisions, and the officials of the City of Florence and all other persons in authority do whatever may be deemed necessary to maintain peace and good order;
I do further order that until subsequently determined by me that
the need for such restriction is no longer necessary, that a curfew be and
the same is hereby proclaimed in the City of Florence and in the area
described above to commence at 9:00 p.m. this date, October 22, 1975,
and to expire at 5:00 a.m. of each following day and to commence and
terminate at those times on subsequent days until hereinafter ordered.
During the hours between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. those persons within
the City of Florence and the area described above thereof shall remain
within their homes and all businesses shall close during hours of curfew.
Those persons required to attend to business of an emergency or essential
nature shall continue as under normal conditions, but shall obtain clearance
from Chief J. P. Strom of South Carolina Law Enforcement Division or his
designee. To avoid hardship and to assure that no persons will be unduly
restricted, the said officials may in their discretion authorize such excep-
tions to the foregoing restrictions as they may feel advisable.

Chief J. P. Strom of South Carolina Law Enforcement Division
is hereby authorized to issue such directives as may be necessary to im-
plement this order.

Given under my seal and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 22nd
day of October, 1975.

James B. Edwards
Governor

ATTEST:

O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State