EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 84-13

WHEREAS, Clifford Brantley, Sheriff of Jasper County, has been indicted in the District Court of the United States for the District of South Carolina, Columbia Division, for violating certain provisions of the United States Code by means of Extortion; and

WHEREAS, Clifford Brantley is scheduled to be brought to trial pursuant to said indictments; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 8 of the South Carolina Constitution directs that any officer of the State or its political subdivisions be suspended upon the indictment of a crime involving moral turpitude; and

WHEREAS, I, as Governor of the State of South Carolina, am mindful of the duties and responsibilities vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of such authority,

IT IS ORDERED that Clifford Brantley, Sheriff of Jasper County, be and he is hereby suspended immediately from the Office of Sheriff until such time as he shall be formally acquitted or convicted, or the charges against him are otherwise disposed of.

This action in no manner addresses itself to the question of the guilt or innocence of Clifford Brantley and shall not be construed as an expression of any opinion one way or another on such question.
I hereby appoint John R. Raymond, of Hardeeville, South Carolina, to serve as temporary replacement as Sheriff of Jasper County until the charges against Clifford Brantley are disposed of, or until a new Sheriff who is qualified to serve is duly elected and sworn into office.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AT COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 22nd DAY OF MARCH, 1984:

RICHARD W. RILEY
Governor

ATTEST:

JOHN T. CAMPELL
Secretary of State