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EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the life of our beloved senior statesman, James Francis Byrnes, came to its end on Sunday, April 9, 1972; and

WHEREAS, he earned the love, honor and respect of his fellow South Carolinians through dedicated, unselfish public service; and

WHEREAS, the body of this distinguished South Carolinian and great American will lie in state in the rotunda of the State House from 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, until 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 12; and

WHEREAS, at noon on Wednesday a memorial service will be conducted in the rotunda, after which the funeral services will take place at Trinity Church in Columbia with burial in the churchyard; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the late Mr. Byrnes and his memory be appropriately honored with an official day of mourning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

THAT Wednesday, April 12, be declared an official day of mourning for the late James Francis Byrnes; and

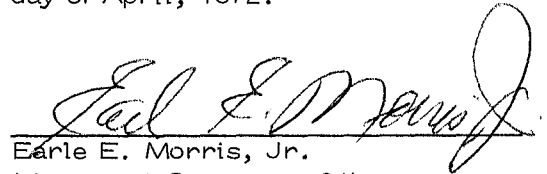
THAT the normal operation of all state departments and agencies be suspended from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Byrnes.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina, at Columbia, South Carolina, this eleventh day of April, 1972.

Attest:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of the State
of South Carolina



Earle E. Morris, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor of the
State of South Carolina