Executive Order No. 2018-01

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2017, the National Weather Service issued a winter weather advisory for portions of the Upstate region of South Carolina—including Oconee, Spartanburg, Anderson, and Pickens Counties—due to hazardous weather conditions caused by a mixture of rain, freezing rain, and snow; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing hazardous weather conditions, on December 8, 2017, state government offices in Oconee, Spartanburg, Anderson, and Pickens Counties dismissed early to ensure the safety of state employees and the general public; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 8-11-57 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the undersigned may authorize leave with pay for affected state employees who are absent from work due to the closure of state offices for hazardous weather conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby authorize leave with pay for affected state employees who were absent from work as directed on December 8, 2017, as a result of the foregoing hazardous weather conditions. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 17th DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.

HENRY MCMASTER Governor