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PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA—CITY OF CHARLESTON.

Whereas, General BEAUREGARD has this day called upon me for a supply of labor from the freed people of this City, to work on some unfinished defences on Morris Island, stating that the said works are necessary for the defences of this City, I hereby order that ALL THE FREE MALES NEGROES, MULATTOES AND MUSTERED, residing in this City, between the ages of eighteen and sixty years of age, be at once conscripted and taken to the respective Police Stations of this City, there to await the orders of the General Commanding. And I further order that the Police arrest every able-bodied Male Slave and take him to the Police Stations, to be also subject to the order of General BEAUREGARD.

At Council Chamber, this 10th day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and in the eighty-seventh year of the independence of South Carolina.

CHARLES MACBETH, Mayor.

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