

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 9

TO: Macon County Board of Education
Harry D. Raymon, Chairman
John Mercer Davis, Member
Madison Davis, Sr., Member
Emerson Guthrie, Member
B. O. Duke, Member
C. A. Pruitt, Macon County Superintendent of Education

WHEREAS, there now exist in the State of Alabama conditions calculated to result in a disruption of the peace and tranquility of this State and to occasion peril to the lives and property of the citizens thereof, this situation resulting from the threat of forced and unwarranted integration of the public schools of this State; and

WHEREAS, it has now been made to appear to the satisfaction of the Governor of the State of Alabama that there is reasonable cause to apprehend breaches of the peace by force and violence throughout this State which cannot be speedily suppressed or effectively prevented by law enforcement agencies in this State if the source of trouble is allowed to exist in several localities at the same time; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the State of Alabama declares that the supreme executive power of the State shall be vested in the Governor and further requires of him that he shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, the statutes of this State provide that in order for the Governor to perform the duties imposed upon him by the Constitution he is declared to be the executive head of the law enforcement machinery of the State; and

WHEREAS, it is the express intention of the Governor of the State of Alabama to preserve the peace, maintain domestic tranquility and protect the lives and property of all citizens of this State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George C. Wallace, as Governor of the State of Alabama, and in conformity with the Constitutional and statutory power vested in me as Governor of said State, do hereby order and direct the Macon County Board of Education, Macon County, Alabama, to delay the opening of Tuskegee High School for a period of one week, until, to-wit: Monday, September 9, 1963 for the sole and express purpose of allowing

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the Governor of the State of Alabama to preserve the peace, maintain domestic tranquility and to protect the lives and property of all citizens of the State of Alabama.

DONE THIS THE 2nd Day of September, A.D., 1963.



George C. Wallace
GEORGE C. WALLACE, AS GOVERNOR
OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA

ATTEST:

Mrs. James Baggett
Secretary of State

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