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RICHARD D. LAMM
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the murder of 21 black children in Atlanta, Georgia has left an indelible impact on all Americans and poses a threat to the fundamental rights of all children to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, there is a growing concern and sadness amongst the people of the State of Colorado over these irrational and senseless killings; and

WHEREAS, Colorado's black community has been outspoken in their sympathy and support of the families and friends affected by these tragedies; and

WHEREAS, this rash of child slayings has threatened the security of both black and white families in Atlanta; creating undue psychological stress for young and old alike; and

WHEREAS, the person(s) responsible for these atrocities continue to remain at large, impairing the community spirit of Atlanta and giving rise to new racial tensions; and

WHEREAS, the families, community and Nation together grieve and hope for a swift and fair resolution of these injustices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by this Proclamation, do hereby convey the heartfelt sympathy and sorrow of all Coloradans to the families and friends of those children who have been so ruthlessly slain, and express our support for significant financial assistance by the federal government to the City of Atlanta and for the special police task force that has been appointed to solve these murders.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this ninth day of March, A.D., 1981.



Richard D. Lamm
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