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**P R O C L A M A T I O N**

The year 1963 marks the hundredth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation signed by Abraham Lincoln to prevent this nation from being half slave and half free.

Today, in spite of that historic document, one-tenth of the nation's population is still effectively enslaved by the perpetuation of age-old practices of racial segregation and discrimination.

The effect of these practices is that many Negroes and other minorities are economically deprived, poorly housed, inadequately educated, disenfranchised, and denied equal access to public accommodations.

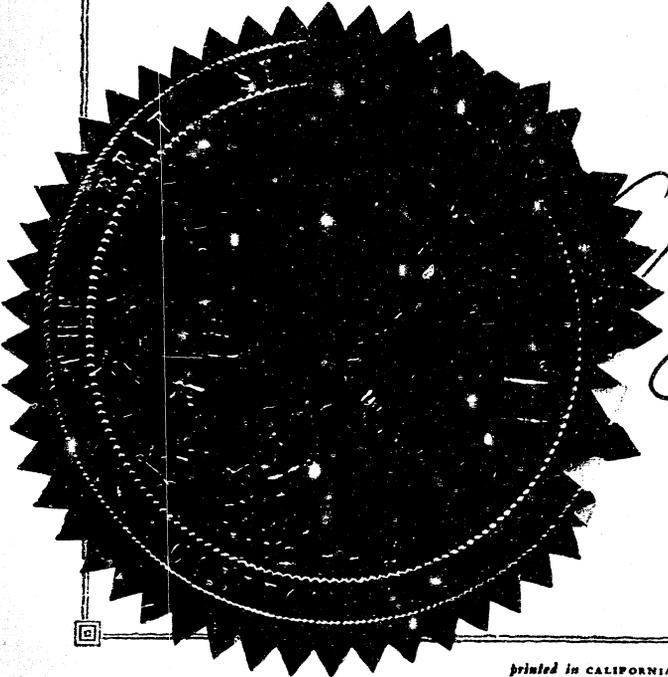
These shameful conditions have demoralized the spirits of the Negro minority and troubled the conscience of the Caucasian majority so that members of both groups are unified in their demands for a new birth of freedom.

The rising demands for "de facto" equality are symbolized by President Kennedy's far-reaching civil rights program which is now awaiting congressional action.

To dramatize the need for such legislation, civil rights, religious, fraternal, labor, and youth organizations from across the nation have joined together in organizing a peaceable march on Washington on August 28.

Now, therefore, in recognition of the great cause for which the march on Washington is being planned, I, Glenn M. Anderson, Lieutenant Governor of California, do hereby proclaim August 28 as "Freedom Day," and urge all Californians to lend their spiritual support to the mission of those making personal sacrifices to travel to our nation's capital in order that all Americans may live as free men in our time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 22nd day of August, A.D., nineteen hundred and sixty-three.



*Glenn M. Anderson*  
Acting Governor of California

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