

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER THIRTY-FOUR

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TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

SUBJECT: Re: agencies closings on Tuesday, April 9, 1968.

WHEREAS, the people of Delaware are greatly saddened by the tragic assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the said Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is to be interred on Tuesday, April 9, 1968; and

WHEREAS, many employees of the State of Delaware and many employees and students of our public school system would like to participate in appropriate memorial services and would like to join in a day of mourning; and

WHEREAS, it is hoped that all people in view of this great loss will now commit themselves to adjusting their legitimate social and economic grievances through the existing channels of our governmental institutions and through the use of non-violent means:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Terry, Jr., by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of Delaware, do order and direct that the State Board of Education declare the schools closed on Tuesday, April 9, 1968, except as to those employees who are still needed to perform essential functions, and it is further

ORDERED: that all state agencies be closed on Tuesday, April 9, 1968, except for those agencies required by statute to remain open on a continuing basis and those state agencies which require a skeleton work force for the performance of essential functions.



APPROVED: this 8th day of April, 1968.

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ATTEST:

Secretary of State