OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1973 CUMULATIVE SUPPLEMENT, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 1 OF THE ACTS OF 1973, SECOND SPECIAL SESSION), AND BECAUSE I AM ADVISED AND INFORMED THAT THE FOLLOWING IS REASONABLE AND NECESSARY IN VIEW OF THE SITUATION OF EMERGENCY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND ISSUE THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- 1. The following days are hereby declared to be school holidays: from the 2nd day of January, 1974, through the 4th day of January, 1974, inclusive. All public and private schools within the State of Maryland are hereby directed to extend their respective winter holiday vacations to include, and they shall remain closed during, these days.
- 2. All statutory and regulatory provisions relating to the minimum number of school days required during each school year shall remain in full force and effect. Accordingly, the school calendars of the public and private schools affected by this Order shall be adjusted to add three additional school days substitution for those lost by reason of this Order, which adjustments shall be made, as to the public schools, by the local boards of education of the counties and the City of Baltimore and, as to the private schools, by their respective governing bodies.
- As used in this Order. "public school" 3. means any school at the elementary or secondary level which is a part of the State's general system of free public schools; and "private school" means any private school or educational institution, however designated, including parochial or other schools operated by church organizations, which offers a program of regular, thorough instruction during the entire period of the school year in the studies usually taught in the public schools to children of the same age, and which heretofore scheduled a holiday vacation to include the 1st day of January, 1974.
- 4. Any violation of this Order shall be