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## Petition from the Citizens of Halifax County, 1955

We, the undersigned, citizens of Halifax County, Virginia, in this way wish to command you for the the stand which you have taken with regard to the ruling of the Supreme Court abolishing segregation in the public schools.

Bon. Thomas B. Svanic Governor of Virginia Richmond, Virginia

In the belief that a public school system here consisting of an admixture of colored and white children will bring unending violence and strife to the detriment of both races, we earnestly petition you to make every effort to device a means of maintaining public education without a commingling of the races. If such a means cannot be devised, it is requested that you seek the enact-ment of legislation which will abolish the public school system as we now know it.

Under your wise leadership we feel that segregated schools can and will be legally continued. To that and we pledge to you our full support.

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