

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert R. Smith was a noted neurosurgeon who spent 33 years at the University of Mississippi Medical Center training and mentoring many of our states' neurosurgeons; and

WHEREAS, he also had successful private practices at St. Dominic's Hospital and at Central Mississippi Medical Center where he continued to serve our community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, he dreamed of advancing the practice of neurosurgery in our state by establishing a gamma knife center in Mississippi, and in 2001, his dream was realized at CMMC; and

WHEREAS, not only did he work tirelessly to bring gamma knife technology to the region, but he was active in many community organizations such as the Mississippi Commission for International Cultural Exchange and was responsible for organizing and promoting their cultural exhibitions in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, because of Dr. Smith's passion, the first and only gamma knife, which uses new technology and a less invasive approach to eradicate brain tumors and other brain abnormalities, is here in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on September 25th, the staff, colleagues, friends and family will gathered at Central Mississippi Medical Center to officially dedicate the Mississippi Gamma Knife Center, in loving memory of Dr. Robert R. Smith:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the Mississippi Gamma Knife Center, now officially the *Robert R. Smith M.D. Gamma Knife Center* on this 25th day of September 2003, in honor of

DR. ROBERT R. SMITH

in the State of Mississippi.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed

DONE in the City of Jackson, September 4, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.


RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR