

MEMORANDUM

September 30, 2002

TO: Governor

FROM: John

RE: 40th Anniversary of Desegregation of Ole Miss

CC: Richard

You were invited to speak at an event hosted by the City of Oxford in recognition of the National Guard and Reserve units who maintained order in the city on the night of September 30, 1962. Mayor Richard Howorth asked for remarks 5-10 minutes in length, focusing on the state's role in university desegregation and your thoughts about where we are now.

The attached remarks recognize the roles played by Meredith as well as those who supported him, and I tried to put them in the same tone as the remarks for the Myrlie Evers event.

The program agenda is as follows:

- Opening by Mayor Howorth
- Posting of the Colors – Ole Miss Combined ROTC Color Guard
- Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Howorth
- National Anthem – Dr. Charles Gates, trumpet
- Invocation – Reverend Arthur Herod
- Remarks – Mayor Howorth
- Remarks – Mr. William Doyle, author of An American Insurrection, The Battle of Oxford, Mississippi, 1962 (Mayor Howorth to introduce)
- Remarks – Governor Musgrove (Mayor Howorth to introduce)
- Presentation of keys to city – Mayor Howorth and Board of Aldermen
- Closing – Mayor Howorth