March 13, 2000

Mr. John Bethune 354 Ollie Williams Road Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Dear Mr. Bethune:

Thank you for your letter regarding your interest in becoming a teacher in Mississippi and helping the state with our teacher shortage problem. As Governor, it is always a pleasure to learn of the interest of citizens to help Mississippi prosper in the 21st Century.

I have contacted the Department of Education regarding your delayed response for information regarding becoming a teacher. Ms. Judy Beard, who is the Director of Recruitment at the Teacher's Center, will be contacting you via email with the information you have requested. Citizens, like you, will help assure that the children of Mississippi have a bright and successful future.

If I can be of further help, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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