September 22, 2000

Mr. David House, Jr. 2566 Trinity Road Crawford, MS 39743

Dear Mr. House:

Thank you for your inquiry. Earlier this year, I proclaimed May 4, 2000, as the day of prayer for the State of Mississippi. I am a Christian and a deacon in my church. I strongly support prayer in school and at athletic events.

The State of Mississippi is responsible for ensuring that casinos in Mississippi remain good corporate citizens. I did vote to recommit the gaming bill to conference. I recognized the positive economic impact that the gaming industry would have on the Mississippi economy. The casinos do not make any contributions to my campaign fund. I plan to work closely with the Legislators during my next years as Governor to make Mississippi an even better place to live, work and visit.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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