

Delta State University
75th Anniversary Opening Convocation
Friday, September 22, 2000
10:00 a.m.

You are giving a short welcome.

- Pleased to be able to join you for the opening convocation of the 75th Anniversary of Delta State University.
- Honored to share the stage with other elected officials, past presidents of this fine University and current President, Dr. David Potter.
- Delta State University has spent the last 75 years growing and improving with the State of Mississippi and with the Mississippi Delta Region.
- Delta State University has had a great impact on:
 - The growth of our University System (IHL)
 - Mississippi's economy
 - The growth of the Mississippi Delta
 - The lives of the people who live in the Delta
 - The students who have attained their degrees from Delta State University
 - Several of whom have joined us today for these ceremonies

- Delta State University has always been an active participant in opportunities for growth and development of the Delta.
- On behalf of the people of our State and particularly the people of the Mississippi Delta, I would like to say thank you.
- We hope to foster those relationships to see that both the University and the Delta region grow and thrive in the new economy.