

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, Congressman James E. Clyburn, a native of Sumter, South Carolina, currently resides in Columbia with his wife, the former Emily England of Moncks Corner, South Carolina—they have three daughters, Mignon, Angela and Jennifer Clyburn Reed, a son-in-law, Walter Reed, and two grandchildren Walter A. Clyburn Reed and Sydney Alexis Reed; and

**WHEREAS**, following graduation from South Carolina State University, Congressman Clyburn served as a teacher, an employment counselor, and director of two youth and community development projects in Charleston, South Carolina—he was appointed to the staff of Governor John C. West in January 1971, and in October 1974 Governor West appointed him South Carolina Human Affairs Commissioner where he served until retiring from state government in 1992 to run for Congress; and

**WHEREAS**, Congressman Clyburn was first elected to Congress in November 1992, and served on the Veterans Affairs and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committees through the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress, where he was the ranking member on the Veterans Affairs' Oversight and Investigation Subcommittee; and

**WHEREAS**, after the November 1998 elections, Congressman Clyburn was elected by a rare unanimous vote to be Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus for the 106<sup>th</sup> Congress—he is currently a member of the Democratic Steering Committee, and Transportation and Energy and Water Development; and

**WHEREAS**, Congressman Clyburn currently serves on the governing boards of Allen University in Columbia, South Carolina and Brookgreen Gardens in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina—he is also a life member of the N.A.A.C.P., a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and is a Mason and Shriner; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable James Clyburn will be the keynote speaker at the EKK Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated's Annual Founders' Day Banquet to honor citizens for their significant contributions to society and their community action efforts:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim November 15, 2002, as

**JAMES E. CLYBURN DAY**

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, November 14, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR