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Dear Name:

I know that you, as an alumnus of Leadership Mississippi, have a vested interest in improving the quality of leadership not only in our state, but also in our region. This summer the State of Mississippi will host ***The Southern Leadership Summit***, an extraordinary conference organized by Southern Growth Policies Board, to improve leadership and civic engagement in the South. As chairman of Southern Growth Policies Board, it is my pleasure to request your participation in ***The Southern Leadership Summit***, on June 1-3, 2003, in Biloxi.

***The Southern Leadership Summit*** will assemble some of the South's foremost thinkers on leadership from both the public and private sectors to address strategies for engaging youth, minorities and people from all walks of life in leadership roles, and for connecting leadership initiatives in the region to improve our schools, neighborhoods and communities. Keynote speakers for the conference include:

- Susan Berresford, President, The Ford Foundation
- Pete Correll, Chairman and CEO, Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Sara Meléndez, former President, Independent Sector
- James Ukrop, Chairman, Ukrop's Super Markets, Inc. and First Market Bank
- Harris Wofford, Co-Chair, America's Promise

Many of the region's leaders from government, academic, business and nonprofits will also be in attendance. The conference will provide participants with ideas to implement in their own communities and the opportunity to network with leaders from across the region. As the host state, it is my sincere hope that Leadership Mississippi will have a large delegation present at the conference to underscore our commitment to quality leadership.

I hope you will plan to join me at the Beau Rivage Resort in Biloxi for ***The Southern Leadership Summit*** on June 1-3, 2003. Complete conference information and registration options are available on the Southern Growth website at [www.southern.org/conf.asp](http://www.southern.org/conf.asp).

Very truly yours,



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