MEMO

TO: LeadershipPlenty Luncheon Guests

FROM: Kelly Riley, Policy Liaison

DATE: December 10, 2002

SUBJECT: Southern Growth Policies Board's "Best Practices for Leadership

Development"

The Southern Growth Policies Board (SGPB) has requested the Office of the Governor's assistance in identifying best practices in leadership development in our state that can be showcased at SGPB's 31st annual conference, to be held June 1-3, 2002, in Biloxi. Some of these programs will also be profiled in the next issue of SGPB's annual series, *Report on the Future of the South*.

I am requesting your assistance in identifying outstanding public or private leadership development or civic engagement programs in Mississippi. These can be programs that operate at the state, community or even the neighborhood level. Programs should be unique in their content or approach, reach previously underserved groups, and be able to demonstrate their results.

The Governor's Office will submit five nominations on behalf of the State of Mississippi. Due to approaching deadlines, we must receive your nomination by Friday, January 3. You must provide the following information for your nomination:

- Organization type (state government, local government, nonprofit, private sector)
- Program name
- Program description (75 words or less)
- Website (if applicable)
- Contact (name, address, phone, fax and email)

Please contact me at 359-2528, or via e-mail at kriley@governor.state.ms.us, if you have any questions regarding this matter. Thank you for your assistance.