

January 30, 2001

Dr. Jayne B. Sargent, Superintendent
Jackson Public Schools
P.O. Box 2338
Jackson, MS 39225-2338

Dear Dr. Sargent:

I am pleased to offer my support to Jackson Public Schools in securing an Urban Systemic Program (USP) grant from the National Science Foundation. Nissan Motor Company recently announced that it will be building a new \$930 million plant in the metro Jackson area. To be completed by 2003, this plant is expected to create thousands of jobs for people throughout the state in addition to the approximately 4,000 people hired by Nissan.

Part of Mississippi's bid to win Nissan's new plant is a \$9 million Center for Advanced Vehicular

The Governor's Task Force for Classroom Technology is a time-limited commission with the **sole purpose of accomplishing the Governor's goal of placing an Internet-accessible computer in every public elementary and secondary classroom in Mississippi by the end of 2002.** The computer technology task force's diligence and determination matched with state and private dollars will make Mississippi one of the first states in the nation to bring the Internet to every classroom.

Very truly yours,

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