

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, Mississippi is blessed with a multitude of families—an essential part of the cultural, social, and spiritual fabric that is Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, Mississippi recognizes strong families are at the center of strong communities; and

**WHEREAS**, everyone has a role to play in making families successful, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policymakers, and, of course, families themselves; and

**WHEREAS**, during Thanksgiving week we all should take time to honor the importance of families, and recognize the special connections that support and strengthen families year-round; and

**WHEREAS**, we all should recommit to enhancing and extending all of the connections that strengthen and enrich families; and

**WHEREAS**, with the assistance and resources of agencies and organizations such as the Alliance for Children and Families and its local member agencies, we can help families of all shapes and sizes create a better future for all of Mississippi and America:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim November 24 through November 30, 2002, as

**NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK**

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 1, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR