A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, Representative Mary H. Coleman represents the 65th House District in Hinds County and serves on the County Affairs, Insurance, Public Buildings, Grounds & Lands, Public Health & Welfare and Ways & Means committees; and

WHEREAS, since her election in 1994, Representative Mary H. Coleman has been involved with the National Black Caucus of State Legislators and has served as Vice President for the last four years; and

WHEREAS, she has led some of the most critical new initiatives that will help bring initiative that will connect member legislators to each other and to the districts they represent—in convening the Faith Round Table, she is helping to reformulate the strong relationship of Black State Legislators to the Black Church and other faith groups and her outreach to other Caucus bodies has set a foundation for strong collaborative efforts across district lines, from local to federally elected officials; and

WHEREAS, in taking on the Presidency of the National Black Caucus of State Legislator, Representative Coleman has made a commitment to strengthening the organization through the involvement and unity of its members—as the largest Black legislative body in the world, strengthening the organization will strengthen the Caucus' ability to serve—always the commitment of a legislator who considers herself a "servant of the people;" and

WHEREAS, with steadfast dedication, Representative Mary H. Coleman has worked quietly and with ultimate integrity to insure that the interests of her constituents and those throughout Mississippi are met:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim December 13, 2002, as

REPRESENTATIVE MARY COLEMAN 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, December 12, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR