Press Conference Grant Award of \$360,000 To Enforce Underage Drinking Laws Monday, October 9, 2000 9:30 a.m. Public Safety Offices

Agenda

I. David Huggins
 II. Ronnie Shows
 III. Ronnie Musgrove
 IV. Mike Moore
 Introduces Ronnie Shows
 Announcement of Grant
 Importance of Public Safety
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V. David Huggins Where the money is going

Talking Points

- Good morning.
- I am pleased to join Congressman Shows, General Moore and Commissioner Huggins for the announcement of this \$360,000 grant.
- This grant money will go a long way in helping us combat underage drinking in the state of Mississippi.
- The problem of underage drinking continues to plague our Nation's and our State's young people.
- The effects of underage drinking are disastrous; not only to the youth, but to all of our citizens.

- Our young people and the people of our state are at risk on a daily basis because of underage drinking.
- We must stop Mississippi's children from being able to acquire alcoholic beverages.
- This grant allows us to find innovative comprehensive ways to do just that.
- We must protect our young people, and we must work together to find the most effective way to develop solutions that work.
- I would like to commend and thank
 Commissioner David Huggins and his staff for developing a statewide plan to fight this problem.
- Congressman Shows, thank you for your continued support from Washington and for working with us in these worthwhile efforts.
- It is important that we continue to work together to make our state a safer place to live, work and raise a family.

- The partnership that has been formed between the Mississippi Public Safety Department, the Attorney General's Office and other agencies and departments across the state is working.
- Thank you to General Moore for your efforts in our task to end underage drinking in Mississippi.
- We pledge to continue to work to make safe communities and a safe place for the people of the State of Mississippi.

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