

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, Jackson, Mississippi is proud to be the home of one of America's most gifted and talented entertainers, Jewel Bass; and

WHEREAS, what makes Jewel Bass stand alone among Mississippi's formidable field of talent is her staggering vocal versatility and the breadth and depth of her experience in music, which enables her to shift from the funkier R&B to sophisticated jazz stylings with ease and her adaptability to any musical situation is legendary; and

WHEREAS, her primary outlet for performing has been the band THESE DAYS, a group of Jackson studio musician vets known for their jazzy R&B style—Jewel and THESE DAYS represented Mississippi music at the Mississippi Picnic in New York's Central Park several times, and have also represented Mississippi's Office of Tourism in Louisiana, Texas, Georgia, Arkansas and in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Jewel was chosen to go on a tour of Europe with the Malaco Blues Review and is known nationally for recording work with numerous artists, including Johnny Taylor, Bobby Bland, Lou Rawls, B.B. King and numerous others:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim

Jewel Bass

as a 2002 honoree of the Jackson Music Awards **Mississippi Rhythm and Blues Diva** and commend you for your talents and accomplishments in the music industry.

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, July 15, 2001, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR