

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Moore began her professional recording and touring career in the 1960's as the lead singer for the *Poppies* and since then, has over thirty years of professional work in the music and entertainment industry with seventeen albums; and

**WHEREAS**, *I Believe You*, in 1977, made the number one single R&B, the top ten single in the US and went to number one single in the UK and earned Ms. Moore one of Record World's Top Female Vocalists of the year; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1999, Ms. Moore did a project with DreamWorks and tours throughout the US and internationally having returned from her second Japan Tour and Ms. Moore was invited to perform at the famed Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2001 to honor Bessie Smith; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, Ms. Moore will debut her first produced work, a Christmas CD on her own label, Farish Street Records of Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Moore was honored in her hometown of Jackson, Mississippi with the unveiling of a granite sidewalk marker of her likeness in front of the Alamo Theater on Farish Street where she started her professional career as a teenager—Ms. Moore has other honors such as the Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts in 1996, Mississippi Musicians Hall of Fame in 2001 and numerous Jackson Music Awards, more than any single artist:

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

**DOROTHY MOORE**

as a 2002 honoree of the Jackson Music Awards **National 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 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR