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Mr. Landry Bernard Naval Oceanographic Office Stennis Space Center, Mississippi 39522-5001

Dear Mr. Bernard:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am honored to extend my best wishes and congratulations upon the celebration of your retirement as Technical Director of the Naval Oceanographic Office.

Under the many years of your most capable leadership, the Naval Oceanographic Office has experienced remarkable progress and success.

As you end your career as Technical Director, be assured that your efforts will forever serve as the foundation and inspiration for those who will follow in your footsteps. Thank you for your contributions to the great State of Mississippi.

Very truly yours,

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