May 24, 2001

Dear Friends:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to extend greetings to all participants and visitors of the North Mississippi Regional Fair and Agri-Expo. Welcome to the beautiful and friendly State of Mississippi.

We hope that your visit to the "hospitality state" will be a very pleasant one. The North Mississippi Regional Fair and Agri-Expo is a great example of the variety of things you will find in Mississippi. Please feel free to take advantage of the many wonderful experiences we offer. Dine on some fine Mississippi cuisine or take pleasure in one of our numerous cultural or entertainment events.

Best wishes for a very successful and entertaining event. If I may be of assistance to you, please feel free to call on me.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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