

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, all Mississippians have been given a proud legacy built upon the past and present contributions of our state's elderly and disabled people; and

WHEREAS, we salute the residents of our nursing facilities, many of whom planted the seeds that made our communities grow and prosper; and

WHEREAS, nursing facilities with dedicated staff members provide caring and supportive services that enable the highest possible quality of life for our loved ones; and

WHEREAS, we reflect and celebrate the past accomplishments of our seniors and people with disabilities while anticipating the possibilities of the future; and

WHEREAS, member facilities of the American Health Care Association and the Mississippi Health Care Association are providing a host of activities in observance of National Nursing Home Week, guided by this year's theme, "*Reflections of a Lifetime*," beginning Mother's Day, May 11th:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim May 11 through May 17, 2003, as

NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and urge all citizens to honor and serve the individuals who laid the foundations of Mississippi by participating in this year's National Nursing Home Week observance at one of our state's nursing facilities.

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, May 1, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR