

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, Second Lieutenant Therrel Shane Childers was born June 19, 1972, to Joseph and Judy Childers in West Hamlin, West Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, he entered Harrison County Schools at Lizana Elementary in August of 1980 and continued his education in Harrison County Schools until his graduation from Harrison Central High School in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduation, Shane enlisted with the U.S. Marine Corps. and was selected to enroll at The Citadel Military Academy in Charleston, South Carolina, where he was a Dean's List student and active in the Marine Raiders; and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Childers of Gulfport, Mississippi, was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division in Camp Pendleton, California; and

**WHEREAS**, Second Lieutenant Therrel Shane Childers gave his life for his country on Friday, March 21, 2003, while leading his men into combat in the war with Iraq:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim March 28, 2003, as

**THERREL SHANE CHILDERS DAY**

in the State of Mississippi to honor the life of this brave soldier and commend his courage, determination and sacrifice.

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, March 25, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR