

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, crime and the threat of violence have profound and devastating effects on individuals, families, and communities in America; and

**WHEREAS**, over 24 million people in the United States are touched by crime each year; and

**WHEREAS**, to motivate key education and law enforcement policy makers, as well as students, parents and community residents, to vigorously advocate school safety; and

**WHEREAS**, school safety includes keeping campuses free of crime and violence, improving discipline, increasing student attendance; and

**WHEREAS**, safe and drug free schools are necessary to ensure the well-being of all children and the quality of their education; and

**WHEREAS**, all constituents of a school community can join to help the future of the country—America’s Safe School Week; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 15, 2003, with support from the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, Criminal Justice Center of Picayune, PMH School Campus Security Council, superintendents, principles and students, the annual “Campus Security Council Fall Extravaganza” will be held:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 15, 2003, as

**NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION MONTH**

and the week of October 15, 2003, as

**AMERICA’S SAFE SCHOOL WEEK**

in the State of Mississippi.

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, August 12, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR