

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, the gardeners of this country produce a multitude of foods for our people and enable us to export foods to other countries which are in desperate need; and

WHEREAS, our gardeners help to preserve and foster traditional spirit of independence and individual initiative; and

WHEREAS, gardening instills in our people, both young and old, a greater appreciation for nature in general and for our beautiful land in particular. This appreciation naturally leads to a greater respect and care for our environment; and

WHEREAS, Gardening, in addition to being most beneficial for our country, furnishes a pleasant and productive full or part-time activity for a large number of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, our gardens also yield flowers of great variety and breathtaking beauty, these flowers yield beauty into lives and satisfy our aesthetic needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the week of June 2 through June 8, 2002, as

NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and encourage our citizens to observe the week with educational activities and projects that emphasize the benefits of gardening.

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, February 4, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR