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## **Governor Musgrove Unveils “Operation About Face”**

(Jackson, MS) – At a press conference today in Hattiesburg, Governor Ronnie Musgrove announced an after school program to help teach children teenagers the life skills they need to succeed. Hattiesburg is the first site in a statewide program that will be launched this year.

“Operation About Face will combine the discipline of the National Guard with the business of the Mississippi Development Authority to present our children with a unique program,” Musgrove said. “No one’s going to be able to stop our kids; not when they’ve done an ‘about face’ and head in the right direction.”

"The Mississippi National Guard is honored to sponsor a program that will help brighten the future for our state's youth. About Face will help develop life coping skills for tomorrow's leaders," Major General James Lipscomb said.

“Operation About Face” will be primarily funded through the Workforce Investment Act. Musgrove said he will work to find the funding to take the program statewide. Mississippi will be the second state in the nation to launch “Operation About Face” statewide.

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