

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, prayer is a fundamental part of Mississippi's heritage, as well as our nation, with the first National Day of Prayer proclaimed by the Continental Congress in 1775; and

WHEREAS, the great need for a spiritual revival in the United States has been highlighted by the recent tragedies, which have created a need to reevaluate the priorities in our lives; and

WHEREAS, II Chronicles 7:14 is God's instruction for prayer in our lives, stating: "...*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*"; and

WHEREAS, this nation has fervently sought divine guidance as it charted what has now become the path of American history and we should now gather again, to pray for divine guidance as we face our future:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim September 2002, as a

MONTH OF PRAYER

in the State of Mississippi, and encourage all Mississippians to take part in this revival and recognize the importance of prayer in our lives.

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 18, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR