A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi, through the Mississippi Arts Commission and the Mississippi Humanities Council, serves as an active supporter and promoter of the humanities and the arts; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is home to a wealth of cultural treasures that includes hundreds of arts and humanities organizations, innumerable historic sites and cultural resources, and unsurpassed contributions to literature, music, painting, and folk art that are recognized and honored worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians are proud of their rich history and culture and wish to share our traditions with future generations; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of October, the Mississippi Humanities Council and the Mississippi Arts Commission will work to increase awareness of the integral role the arts and humanities play in our lives and encourage citizens to participate in the variety of arts and cultural activities statewide, with presentations at universities and colleges and other sites across the state:

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

ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

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, September 15, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR