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## **Governor Musgrove Proclaims 2003 as the Year of the “First Flight Centennial Celebration”**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove proclaimed 2003 as the year of the “First Flight Centennial Celebration” in honor of the Wright Brothers’ vision.

“The 12-second, 120-foot historic flight changed the world, giving humankind access to places it never dreamed of reaching,” stated Musgrove. “We honor the Wright Brothers for their creativity, vision, and the perseverance to triumph over the impossible.”

Musgrove also stated, “Aviation is a key transportation mode and economic engine that connects the State of Mississippi to global markets, cultures, education, the arts and a multitude of events while contribution to strong growth in the state.”

Governor Musgrove urges all citizens to remember this historic first flight by the Wright brothers. Citizens can obtain more information regarding the first flight by visiting the Centennial of Flight website at [www.centennialofflight.gov](http://www.centennialofflight.gov).

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