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## **Governor Musgrove Proclaims “Older Americans Month”**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the month of May as “Older Americans Month” to honor the senior citizens of Mississippi and raise awareness about the growing needs and challenges faced by older Americans.

“These are individuals who have worked hard to help build our state and our nation,” Musgrove stated. “We are grateful for their tremendous contributions and sacrifices through the years.”

The Aging Services Network headed by the Mississippi Department of Human Services-Division of Aging and Adult Services consists of federal, state, and local agencies that help ensure that older Americans and their families have the information and assistance they need to make informed decisions and choices-these choices help families care for their loved ones, help older people stay in their homes, and provide care options other than nursing home facilities.

“The Aging Services Network in Mississippi provides services including information on elder abuse prevention and home-delivered meals,” stated Musgrove. “These services help our state’s seniors retain their independence with dignity and respect.”

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