

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, agriculture is an important industry in Mississippi, creating jobs for over 400,000 Mississippians; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi farmers are number one in the production of catfish, number three in the production of cotton, number five in the production of rice, number sixteen in the production of soybeans, number twenty-one in the production of corn and number twenty-one in the production of winter wheat in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the approximately 43,000 farms in Mississippi had a total value of production in 2001 of over 4,800,000,000 dollars:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim April 29 through May 5, 2002 as

AGRICULTURE APPRECIATION WEEK

and May 2, 2002, as

FARMER OF THE YEAR DAY

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, April 22, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR