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Governor Musgrove Declares State of Emergency Following Thursday Storms

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove declared a state of emergency last night as a result of heavy storms that pounded Mississippi Thursday. The state of emergency focuses on Hinds, Rankin, Madison and Pearl River Counties, as well as all other areas of the state affected by the storms.

After touring the damage in Brandon, Musgrove said, “We are grateful that there was no loss of life as a result of such a powerful storm. We are in the process of assessing the damage from yesterday’s storm so people can begin rebuilding their lives. Our prayers are with everyone affected by the storms.”

Initial reports from the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency shows Brandon Elementary and downtown Brandon suffering heavy damage, with a total of 150 homes suffering damage in the storm in Rankin County.

Damage assessment teams from the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency are being dispatched to determine the amount of damage suffered in other areas of the state.

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