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Governor Musgrove Proclaims “Teacher Appreciation Week”

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the week of May 4, 2003 as “Teacher Appreciation Week” to acknowledge the importance and impact of teachers on the children of Mississippi.

“Mississippi’s progress can be attributed to the qualified and dedicated teachers entrusted with the educational development of our children,” stated Musgrove. “We honor and recognize their dedication and commitment to educating our children.”

Under Musgrove’s leadership, teacher pay in Mississippi is rising from 49th to 19th in the nation, the state ranks 6th in the nation in the number of Nationally Board Certified Teachers, and Mississippi is the first state in the nation to place an Internet-accessible computer in every public school classroom.

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