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## **Governor Musgrove Proclaims “Weatherization Day”**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed October 30, 2003, as “Weatherization Day” to raise awareness about the benefits of homes being more energy efficient and to recognize the impact the Weatherization Assistance Program, the nation’s largest residential energy efficiency program has had in the lives of low-income families throughout the United States.

“The Weatherization Program is critical because it helps to ensure that our low-income families with children, the elderly, and the disabled live in homes that are safe and as energy efficient as possible so that they may have lower monthly energy bills,” said Musgrove.

The Weatherization Program was initiated and funded by the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, DC in 1976 in response to the energy shortages to states and communities assisting low-income families to have more energy efficient, safe, and healthier homes.

The Weatherization Program in Mississippi is administered through the Department of Human Services and the state’s Community Action Agencies and has produced energy cost reductions averaging 25 percent in the winters.

For more information on providing energy efficiency programs, please visit <http://www.waptac.org>.

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