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## Governor Musgrove Appoints Willie Varnado to Task Force on Juvenile Detention Facilities

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has appointed Willie Varnado of Jackson to the Task Force on Juvenile Detention Facilities. He will serve his term at the discretion of the Governor.

“Mr. Varnado’s experience as a Minister of Outreach will be a valuable asset to the Task Force on Juvenile Detention Facilities,” said Musgrove. “The Juvenile Facilities Task Force is extremely important because it insures the youth in custody receive the education, counseling, medical services, recreation and food services they need while in a safe and supervised environment.”

Varnado is currently the Minister of Outreach at Christ United Methodist Church and the Director of the Urban Ministry Center in Midtown Jackson. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Morehouse University and he received his Masters in Biblical Education from Gwinnett Hall Baptist College. Varnado worked for IBM Corporation for 20 years and now serves on the Board of Directors for Habitat for Humanities. He is also on the Board of Directors for Mission Mississippi.

The Task Force on Juvenile Detention Facilities was created during the 2002 Legislative Session and is charged with developing uniform standards and reviewing the operations, programs, services and staff at all of Mississippi’s juvenile detention facilities.

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