

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, Traumatic Brain Injury is the number one killer of people under the age of 44; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi has the largest death rate from Traumatic Brain Injuries in the United States; and

WHEREAS, 805 Mississippians dies from Traumatic Brain Injuries in 2000; and

WHEREAS, during the past decade, 583 children under the age of 14 have died from Traumatic Brain Injuries; and

WHEREAS, sports and recreational accidents accounted for 4.2% of all Traumatic Brain Injury deaths in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, to promote awareness of the importance of safety, the Brain Injury Association of Mississippi is holding its 2nd Annual **Safety Fair and Bicycle Helmet Giveaway**:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2002, as

HELMET AWARENESS 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, May 7, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR