

A Proclamation
by
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, On October 4, 1992, the General Assembly of the United Nations agreed unanimously to recognize the more than 500 million disabled persons of the world by naming December 3rd the International Day for Disabled Persons; and

WHEREAS, all nations and organizations are urged by the United Nations to extend their cooperation in observing this day; and

WHEREAS, regardless of geographic location or nationality, an average of one in ten persons in the world today is either mentally or physically disabled; and

WHEREAS, people with severe, lifelong disabilities live, work, play and worship in communities and are productive citizens, neighbors and family members; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the remarkable efforts of the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, there is more to be done to promote effective measures for the prevention of disability, for rehabilitation and for the realization of the goals of full participation of disabled persons in social and economic opportunities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim December 3, 2000, as

DAY OF RECOGNITION FOR DISABLED PERSONS

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, November 16, 2000 in the two hundred and twenty-fourth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR