

**A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove**

WHEREAS, Collectively, our nation strives to encourage greatness and achievement in our young people; and

WHEREAS, National Gymnastics Day, presented by Mrs. Smith's Flipt Cake, seeks to introduce the value of physical fitness for every age, race, gender and ability level; and

WHEREAS, Gymnastics provides a great foundation and offers skills for a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, USA Gymnastics is celebrating National Gymnastics Day on August 2, 2003 to help bring attention to the sport of gymnastics and to encourage and promote physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, On National Gymnastics Day, gymnastics clubs across the United States partner with USA Gymnastics to heighten the visibility of the sport and encourage participation at the grassroots level; and

WHEREAS, Participation in gymnastics is a fun way to build strength, flexibility and coordination and enhance self-esteem and goal-setting abilities; and

WHEREAS, National Gymnastics Day aims to serve the greater community ideals to provide comfort to children who are unable to provide for themselves by raising funds and awareness for the Children's Miracle Network:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim August 2, 2003, as

NATIONAL GYMNASTICS 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, July 11, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

**RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR**