

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, Mississippi Minority Enterprise Development has remained a leading and very effective advocate for Mississippi's minority owned businesses; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we encourage and support continued expansion and growth of minority entrepreneurship affording widespread participation throughout our great state; and

WHEREAS, there is an increased need for innovative and creative marketing strategy combined with amplified access to start-up funds as well as increased availability of financial support that bolsters growth and helps to ensure the success of minority owned businesses; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is strengthened and thrives when all of our people and businesses prosper and thrive; and

WHEREAS, the Minority Business Enterprise Division of the Mississippi Development Authority will be holding its annual celebration of National Minority Enterprise Development Week here in Jackson, Mississippi and will have activities that focus on public awareness of minority business entrepreneurs and to encourage and challenge minority business participation and development:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the week of September 15 through September 19, 2003, as

MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and encourage all residents to join in celebrating the accomplishments of minority entrepreneurs.

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, August 29, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR