

Recognize:

- Mayor Greg Davis
- Local officials
- Parents, family members and friends

It's great to be here with you today

I am excited to be back on a baseball field; it's where I spent a great deal of time growing up, and it feels good to be back.

The great Chicago Bears linebacker Mike Singletary once commented that his favorite part of the game was the opportunity to play.

These fields will give everyone the opportunity to play regardless of their physical capabilities.

The games you'll play here will always be carried with you in your memory.

Don't ever forget them; they are a part of who you are, and will be a great reminder of the fun of days gone by.

John Wooden, the legendary basketball coach at UCLA, summed it all up. "Sports do not build character," he said, "they reveal it."

The fact that these fields are the only fields of their kind in Mississippi and only the second ones in the US shows us the character of this community.

God Bless you all, the State of Mississippi and
the US