## A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, in 2000, nearly half of adults (44%) or 83.9 million people volunteered their time; and

**WHEREAS**, 70% of Americans reported some form of charitable involvement in response to the September 11 tragedy; and

WHEREAS, volunteering provides a variety of personal benefits and satisfaction, in addition to the benefits received by nonprofit organizations and society as a whole; and

**WHEREAS,** National Volunteer Week provides a special opportunity to encourage men, women, and children of all ages to get connected to their communities by volunteering:

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim April 27 through May 3, 2003, as

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

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, April 30, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR