A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, friendship among women is central to the success and well-being of women in our state—women friends create a climate of care and support that strengthens women in times of need and in times of joy, which can help to maintain healthy families and promote a more vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, our state is blessed with countless women of good will and good works who, through friendship, unite to make a difference in our community and the lives of our citizens—many of the organizations our state depends on to care for those in need were founded by a few women friends whom give of their time, effort and heart with kindness and concern; and

WHEREAS, we value our female citizens and recognize the importance of friendship; and

WHEREAS, National Women's Friendship Day is a day to acknowledge and celebrate the special role women play in the lives of other women and in our state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the third Sunday of September 2002, as

NATIONAL WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP DAY

in the State of Mississippi, and I urge all citizens to join in this observance.

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, September 17, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR