

Mississippi Federation of Democratic Women  
Friday, February 16, 2001  
6:30 p.m.  
at the Mansion

(Brief remarks: Rah Rah “Go Democrats” speech; how great everything is in Mississippi because of their work and dedication)

### Talking Points

- Good Evening
- Welcome to the Governor’s Mansion.
- Melanie and I are glad to host you in our home.
- Thank you for letting me join your meeting tonight.
- (make a joke) I know I only fit half of the profile; I am a Democrat.
- And I am **proud** to be your **Democrat** Governor!
- First off, I would like to thank each of you for your hard work and dedication.
- You help make Mississippi an even better place.
- You help make the Democrat Party a success!
- (\*\*\*) If Johnnie Patton is present (\*\*\*) I would like to congratulate Johnnie Patton, who was elected last week as Secretary to the DNC Black Caucus.

- She is making Mississippi proud and helping put MS in the national spotlight once again.
- We have made many great strides this year in MS:
  - Teacher pay raises
  - AMI
  - Nissan
  - CHIP enrollment
  - Computers in the Classroom
- This was because of **teamwork**; **WE** did it together
- Thanks again and let's keep up the good work!

(Governor, I spoke with Amy Harris. These are some of the suggestions she gave to me.)