

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, working women constitute 62.7 million of the nation's work force and strive to serve their communities, their states and their nation in professional, civic and cultural capacities; and

WHEREAS, women-owned businesses account for over one-third of all firms in the country and provide employment for one out of every four U.S. workers; and

WHEREAS, major goals of business and professional women are to promote equality for all women and to help create better conditions for business women through the study of social, educational, economic and political problems; and

WHEREAS, all of us are proud of their leadership in these many fields of endeavor:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 21 through October 25, 2002, as

NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and encourage all citizens, all civic and fraternal groups, all educational associations, all news media and other community organizations to join this salute to working women—encourage and promote the celebration of the achievements of all business and professional women as they contribute daily to our economic, civic, and cultural purposes.

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, October 11, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR