

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, a sustained strong Mississippi economy depends upon an excellent and equitable public education system; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi's public schools are challenged to leave no child behind, answering the call to meet diverse educational needs of all children and to bring them to a high level of competency in a global society; and

WHEREAS, the effective leadership of school board members and school administrators working together with the community is imperative in effectively serving Mississippi's children; and

WHEREAS, local school board members have a critical role in shaping the nature of, and setting the pace for, public education progress in their school districts; and

WHEREAS, local school board members have the final responsibility for high standards of accountability, including meeting the requirements of the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001" for every child; and

WHEREAS, local school board members have consistently produced creative, innovative and strategic plans and programs for higher levels of student achievement:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim February 16 through February 22, 2003, as

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the vital role of local school board members in ensuring a quality education system, a major prerequisite to establishing a strong and vigorous Mississippi economy.

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, December 3, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR