A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, superlative pork meat and magnificent hickory wood are native to this area, and the highest quality barbeque cooking is characteristic of the South; and

WHEREAS, the Roast-N-Boast Barbeque Cooking contest is an annual charitable event that provides wholesome recreation and competition for both amateur and professional chefs; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Roast-N-Boast Committee crowns the State Champions in each of the categories of whole hog, shoulders, ribs and the Overall State Grand Champion; and

WHEREAS, the Roast-N-Boast has been recognized repeatedly as one of the Top 20 Tourism Events in the Southeast by the Southeastern Tourism Society and helps to promote tourism in the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 17 and 18, 2003, as

THE ANNUAL ROAST-N-BOAST BARBEQUE CHAMPIONSHIP COOKING CONTEST DAYS

in the State of Mississippi and encourage our citizens to join in the incomparably fun-filled activities that will result in the naming of the State's Champion Pork Barbeque Chef.

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 9, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR