A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, The Williams Brothers is a gospel trio with a reputation for longevity and popularity; and

WHEREAS, in 1960, Leon "Pop" Williams founded the group which includes Melvin Williams, Doug Williams, Henry Green, and members in the back-up band; and

WHEREAS, the group has performed in some of the nation's more famous concert halls including: Madison Square Garden, The Apollo Theater, The Grand Ole Opry, The Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, The House of Blues, and is still traveling across the country, presenting its distinctive gospel sound to enthusiastic audiences; and

WHEREAS, group member, Henry Green, said The Williams Brothers have placed God first in their efforts for nearly four decades, and have no regrets in doing so; and

WHEREAS, The Williams Brothers have three Grammy Award nominations and numerous Stellar Awards to their credit but in spite of their travels and success, they continue to make music from their base in Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim

The Williams Brothers

as 2002 recipients of the Jackson Music Awards **Legend Award in Gospel** and commend you for your talents and accomplishments in the music industry.

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, July 14, 2001, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR