

June 4, 2001

Dear Friends:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to extend greetings to all members attending the NAACP

I hope that your meeting will be a very pleasant one. I am sure that Mr. Claiborne Barksdale, CEO of the Barksdale Reading Institute will have many interesting thoughts to share with you throughout the evening.

Best wishes for a very successful and highly productive meeting. If I may be of assistance to you, please feel free to call on me.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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