## A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, educating the public about species conservation is an integral component of sustaining a healthy and balanced ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the wolf is a symbol of wilderness and an integral part of natural ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, a growing environmental awareness of the benefits of maintaining biological diversity has raised public interest in the wolf; and

WHEREAS, the survival of the wolf in the United States of America remains uncertain and depends upon continued public support and increased understanding of the essential role wolves play in nature; and

WHEREAS, education is crucial to promoting better understanding of wolves and their important role in nature; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the third week in October 2002 as

## WOLF AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

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