A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, 282 Mississippians were killed and thousands were injured in 2001 in alcohol-related vehicle crashes; and

WHEREAS, those killed and injured as a result of drunk driving have families, loved ones, and friends who must endure the pain of losing a loved one for the rest of their lives; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Mississippi will remember with love and respect those who have been killed or injured because of drunk driving; and

WHEREAS, December 7, 2002, at Northpark Church in Meridian, Mississippi, there will be a special "Statewide Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope" for those Mississippians killed or injured in drunk driving crashes in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Mississippi will endeavor to end forever the potentially deadly practice of drinking and driving:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim December 1 through December 7, 2002, as

A WEEK OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

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, November 21, 2002, in the two hundred and twenty-sixth year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR