

A Proclamation
By
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, the number of elderly and disabled Americans is dramatically increasing; and

WHEREAS, assisted living is a long term care service that fosters choice, dignity, independence and autonomy in our elderly; and

WHEREAS, all residents, staff, volunteers, families, and assisted living communities in Mississippi and across the nation will join in celebrating life's treasures; and

WHEREAS, the theme of National Assisted Living Week 2003 is "Sharing Life's Treasures" which provides us the opportunity to appreciate the treasures life has given us along our journey and the opportunity to share them; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the week of September 7 through September 13, 2003, as

NATIONAL ASSISTED LIVING WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and I encourage our citizens to visit friends and loved ones who reside or work at these facilities and also to learn more about assisted living services and how they benefit our communities.

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, August 14, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE
GOVERNOR