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## **Governor Musgrove Welcomes American Legion National Commander**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove welcomed Ron Conley, National Commander of the American Legion, to Mississippi at a reception this morning at the War Memorial Building in Jackson.

In his remarks, Musgrove discussed the role played by veterans in keeping America strong, and the role currently being taken on by soldiers from across the state in support of the war against terrorism.

“Mississippi has a strong tradition of serving America; when our nation has called, our people have always answered,” Musgrove said. “Our veterans still stand proud and ready to support their country, as do those Mississippians serving now in the fight against those who would harm our nation and our people.”

Musgrove said the Mississippi National Guard ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation in the number of personnel currently serving on active duty.

“Our soldiers are among the best trained in the nation,” he said. “That’s why America calls them to action.”

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