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Outstanding Leadership Award to Governor Musgrove

(Biloxi, MS) –Today, Governor Ronnie Musgrove was honored by the National Guard Association of the United States for his strong leadership and strong support of the Mississippi National Guard. The award also recognized Governor Musgrove’s leadership regarding the organization of the Guard’s “About Face” program.

“I am honored to receive this award, but this award isn’t about me, it’s about our men and women of the Mississippi National Guard,” Musgrove said. “They are deployed around the world risking their lives to make our nation safe in the fight against terrorism.”

The Mississippi National Guard has the fourth highest number of guardsmen and women deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

“Mississippi’s youth are one-third of our population, but make-up all of our future,” said Musgrove. “The Mississippi ‘About Face’ program is an excellent opportunity to mentor to the leaders of tomorrow.”

The “About Face” program is a summer and after-school program, sponsored by the Office of the Governor, the Mississippi National Guard and the Mississippi Development Authority, that combines mentoring with workforce training. The program brings together today’s leaders with tomorrow’s leaders. “About Face”, which is in its second year, teaches courses such as computer use, money management and other skills that benefit our state’s youth.

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