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Governor Musgrove Proclaims “National Nurses Week” in Mississippi

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the week of May 6-12, 2003, as “National Nurses Week” in Mississippi. With the theme of “Nurses: Lifting Spirits, Touching Lives,” the proclamation focuses recognizing the work done by professional nurses in the state and across the nation.

“Professional nurses are on the front lines of the health care system in Mississippi, and they are an invaluable component in our work to provide quality health care for all Mississippians,” Musgrove said. “We are thankful for their commitment and dedication to their profession.”

There are nearly 2.7 million registered nurses in the United States.

Musgrove has actively worked to improve health care in Mississippi. More than 50,000 children in the state now receive health insurance, compared to 500 in 2000. On April 24, Musgrove signed legislation to ensure the availability and affordability of medical malpractice insurance for Mississippi’s health care providers.

“Healthy kids go to school ready to learn, and health adults are ready to work,” said Musgrove. “I appreciate the role our nurses play in making sure our people and our state remain healthy.”

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