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Governor Musgrove Recognized by State Board of Education

(Jackson, MS) – In a meeting held this morning, Governor Ronnie Musgrove was recognized by the members of the State Board of Education for his commitment to education and his leadership in securing early and full funding in the current legislative session.

“I have no greater priority for this state than to build our future on a foundation built on education,” Musgrove said. “Our investment in that foundation is good for all Mississippians. When we foster good schools, we are better able to attract good jobs and build good communities.”

State Superintendent of Education Dr. Henry Johnson commented that Musgrove had demonstrated “outstanding leadership on this issue,” and that the recent actions in education sent a message around the state and the nation that Mississippi is the leader in educational improvements and investing in the future.

Board Chair Kenny Bush said the board wanted to thank Musgrove for his support of public education and his efforts to ensure full funding for education and make it a priority in the Legislature.

In his State of the State address on January 9, Musgrove challenged lawmakers to fund education at 62 percent of the general fund budget, and to send him a bill by the third week of January. Musgrove signed legislation on February 5 funding K-12 and higher education at 62 percent.

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