A Proclamation by Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, James Eros Winfield, Sr. was a lifelong resident of Mississippi; and;

WHEREAS, his life was a reflection of his love of and commitment to God, his family his state and his country; and

WHEREAS, having been born into a family that strongly encouraged and promoted participation in the struggle for social justice and civil equality; and

WHEREAS, his conscience led him to the study and defense of the law at the University of Mississippi School of Law; and

WHEREAS, James Eros Winfield, Sr. enjoyed the overwhelming admiration and respect of his friends and colleagues during his twenty eight years of service at the Bar; and

WHEREAS, his career included private practice, city prosecutor for the City of Vicksburg, attorney for the Woodville School District and legal counsel to the Sharkey County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, his religious, civic and social life included membership in the Springhill Missionary Baptist Church, the Magnolia Bar Association, the Mississippi State Bar, the Warren County Bar Association, the Black Lawyers Association, the Board of Governors of the Mississippi Trial Lawyers Association, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, the Par Busters Golf Club and the American Legion's Tyner-Ford Post 213; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize and pay tribute to James Eros Winfield, Sr., beloved husband and father whose efforts and contributions have made lasting impressions upon the faces of humankind.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby commend and recognize the life and accomplishments of

JAMES EROS WINFIELD, SR.

and I strongly urge all residents to honor the lifetime achievements of this remarkable Mississippian.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have affixed the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi this the 7th day of June, 2000.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI