A Proclamation By Governor Ronnie Musgrove

WHEREAS, in 1957, Brother Harvey Ford, along with his long-time friend Mack Henry Bolden, organized the Gospel Group, "The Jackson Hummingbirds"; and

WHEREAS, by 1962, with the addition of several more members, the group began radio broadcasting every Sunday morning on WOKJ; and

WHEREAS, Brother Ford and the group received sponsorship from the Gold Nugget Stamp Company and decided to change the name of the group to "The Gold Nugget Gospel Singers"; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, their album "Gospel Train" was played on radio stations across the nation; and

WHEREAS, they appeared on programs with several other well known gospel groups including Willie Banks and the Messengers, Slim and the Supreme Angels, and the Mighty Clouds of Joy; and

WHEREAS, Brother Ford is very proud of his marriage of 43 years to his wife Addie and their lovely children—he is a member of the Temple of Faith Church of God in Christ where he serves on he Deacon Board and teaches Sunday school in the men's department—he is proud to be honored by the Jackson Music Awards Association:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim August 3, 2003, in honor of

BROTHER HARVEY FORD

in the State of Mississippi.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, August 1, 2003, in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE GOVERNOR