

A Proclamation  
By  
Governor Ronnie Musgrove

**WHEREAS**, Senior U.S. Senator Thad Cochran, from Mississippi, is a long-time champion of the arts; and

**WHEREAS**, introduced 1999 bill Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education (CREATE) Act, which awards school districts including arts in the regular curriculum; and

**WHEREAS**, a senior member of the Interior Appropriations Subcommittee, the Senator is a consistent voice of support for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); and

**WHEREAS**, noted a 2001 Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts recipient in the area of Arts Leadership from the Mississippi Arts Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, received the 2002 Sidney R. Yates National Arts Advocacy Award; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arts Alliance will be honoring Senator Thad Cochran, on Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2003 for his outstanding public service to Mississippi arts and culture:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2003, in honor of

**SENATOR THAD COCHRAN**

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, July 7, 2003 in the two hundred and twenty-seventh year of the United States of America.

RONNIE MUSGROVE  
GOVERNOR