Remarks for the
“Profiles in Leadership” Awards Dinner
May 3, 2003

Ken

Recognize Scott Coopwood

Pleased to be here tonight, to honor three
great Delta leaders and to welcome Ed
Nixon to Mississippi

Proud of the Mississippi that we live in
today
Mississippi is taking on a different image
  - Image of a state moving faster than anyone else into the 21st century
  - A state that’s competing and leading in the global marketplace
  - A state that’s setting new standards in education and economic development

Exciting things happening in Mississippi
  - Appreciate the work of great leaders like Kenneth Hood, Dr. Lester Newman and Barthell Joseph
Has been said that leadership is action, not position
  o These three gentlemen are known for their action
  o They are known for their commitment to the growth of the Delta
  o Dedicated to seeing this region flourish

Want to take a moment as well to thank Scott Coopwood and the Delta Business Journal
  o Journal celebrates its 5th anniversary this year
  o 5 years of strong coverage and support of economic development in the Delta
Congratulations, Scott, on 5 good years / look forward to 5 more

- Congratulations to Kenneth, Lester and Barthell
- Thank you for your contributions and hard work