EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1351

WHEREAS, on Friday, February 6, 2015, Mississippi lost a respected statesman with the passing of Congressman Alan Nunnelee at 56 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Alan Nunnelee was born in Tupelo, Mississippi, on October 9, 1958; and

WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor’s degree from Mississippi State University in 1980; and

WHEREAS, he began his political career in 1995 by serving in the State Senate, where he chaired the Public Health Committee and the Appropriations Committee; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as State Senator he earned the respect of his colleagues for his intellect, dedication and honesty; and

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2011, he was sworn in as Congressman from Mississippi’s First Congressional District; and

WHEREAS, he was active in the community, a deacon and Sunday school teacher at Calvary Baptist Church in Tupelo, a youth baseball coach and a loving husband, father and grandfather; and

WHEREAS, the prayers of this State are with his wife, Tori, their three children, two grandchildren and other family members and friends:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order all flags of the United States of America and the State of Mississippi be flown at half-staff on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction beginning immediately on Friday, February 6, 2015, and ending at sunset on Monday, February 9, 2015, in remembrance of a dedicated Mississippi public servant and my dear personal friend, Congressman Patrick Alan Nunnelee.

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

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 6th day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-ninth.

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

C. DELBERT HOSEMAN, JR.
SECRETARY OF STATE