STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1292

WHEREAS, Mississippi mourns the passing of courageous young Mississippian who recently lost their lives in the performance of their duties in law enforcement and military service; and

WHEREAS, we are indebted to the following Mississippian, as well as all law enforcement officers and military personnel, who gave their lives so that we may exercise the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness:

Investigator Mike Walter, 37
Brandon, Miss., May 1, 2012

Marine Master Sgt. Scott E. Pruitt, 38
Gautier, Miss., April 28, 2012

Army Sgt. 1st Class Billy A. Sutton, 42
Tupelo, Miss., Feb 7, 2012

Marine Lance Cpl. Edward J. Dycus, 22
Greenville, Miss., Feb. 1, 2012

WHEREAS, the prayers of this State are with the family and friends of Mississippi’s heroes, who made the ultimate sacrifice to protect the life and liberty of others;

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 day 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 on Monday, May 7, 2012.

IN WITNESS 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, this the 4th day May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve, and of the two hundred and thirty-sixth year of the United States of America.

BY THE GOVERNOR

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

C. DELBERT HOSEMAN, JR.
SECRETARY OF STATE