EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1330

WHEREAS, on Monday, December 2, 2013, Mississippi lost a respected statesman with the passing of William A. "Bill" Allain at 85 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Governor Allain was born in Washington, Mississippi, in 1928; and

WHEREAS, he attended the University of Notre Dame and earned a law degree from the University of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, after serving three years in the United States Infantry during the Korean War, he practiced law in Mississippi for many years; and

WHEREAS, he was first elected to public office in 1979 as Attorney General for a four-year term of office and thereafter served as Mississippi’s 59th Governor from 1984 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, one of Bill Allain’s chief accomplishments was government reorganization in which he reformed the separation of powers among the three branches of government, which strengthened the executive branch; and

WHEREAS, the prayers of this State are with the family and friends of Governor Bill Allain:

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 at sunrise on Friday, December 6, 2013, and ending at sunset on Saturday, December 7, 2013, in remembrance of a dedicated Mississippi public servant, former Governor William A. "Bill" Allain.

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 5th day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR