

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1041

PATRIOT DAY

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 people lost their lives in the terrorist attacks on the United States of America at the World Trade Center in New York City; the Pentagon near Washington, D.C.; and Somerset County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, on that fateful day and in its aftermath, Americans and the world saw the bravery and heroism of first responders who sacrificed their lives to save the victims of these atrocious attacks, many of whom they had never met; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of America was witnessed by the world as Americans joined together, united in our determination to overcome this tragedy and continue to spread the merits of democracy throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, courageous Mississippians in our National Guard and Reserve, in the active duty military services, and in vital civilian, health care and public safety roles, both at home and overseas, continue to display acts of bravery in the fight to advance freedom and prevent future terrorist attacks on America; and

WHEREAS, America remains a symbol of liberty and freedom for nations throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama declared the National Days of Prayer and Remembrance to be observed from September 10 through 12, 2010, and Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance on September 11, 2010, and invited U.S. Governors as well as appropriate government officials to join in this observance and lower the U.S. flags to half-staff under their jurisdictions on Patriot Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Haley Barbour, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a period of prayer and remembrance in the State of Mississippi and further on Patriot Day do hereby order the flag of the State of Mississippi and the flag of the United States of America be flown at half-staff on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset on September 11, 2010.

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 10th day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Haley Barbour".

HALEY BARBOUR
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr.".

C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR.
SECRETARY OF STATE