WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is saddened by the death of Honorable James M. (Jimmy) Walker, a member of the State Tax Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Walker distinguished himself and reflected great credit upon the State through his loyalty, his integrity and his administrative skill; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Walker earned for himself a lasting place in the history of Mississippi through his unswerving devotion to duty and his dedicated service:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a great and good servant of this State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late James M. (Jimmy) Walker, I authorize the Heads of all Departments and Agencies to close their offices on the date of his funeral, Monday, January 10, 1972, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 2:00 P. M., in order that their employees may attend the funeral services.

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

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson on this the 10th day of January, A. D., 1972.

[Signature]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the civic bodies and service organizations of our State and the departments of the State government recognize the great service rendered to this State by the Mississippi Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, The United States Jaycees and its affiliated state and local organizations have set aside the week of January 16-22, 1972, to observe the founding of the Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, this organization of young men has contributed materially to the betterment of this State throughout the year:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of January 16 - 22, 1972, as

JAYCEE WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of our State to give full regard to the past services of the Mississippi Jaycees.

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 sixth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The National Foundation-March of Dimes is leading the
tight to prevent birth defects; and

WHEREAS, the ultimate goal of this fight is to guarantee the gift
of health to every American newborn; and

WHEREAS, the proof of the need to make this effort lies in some
250,000 Americans born each year with birth defects; and

WHEREAS, public contributions have made it possible for the March
of Dimes to establish a network of more than 100 medical service programs
across the country for research, education, medical and community services;
and

WHEREAS, the massive research needed to uncover the basic causes of
birth defects remains to be done:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim January, 1972, as

MARCH OF DIMES MONTH

knowing that the people of Mississippi will respond as they always have to
a cause which will benefit, in the true tradition of equality, our children
and our children's children.

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 thirtieth day of
December in the year of our Lord
nineteen hundred and seventy-one
and of the Independence of the
United States of America the one
hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College won the National Junior College Athletic Association Football Championship on December 3, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the Bulldogs, under Head Coach George Sekul, defeated the former champions, the Fort Scott Community College Greyhounds, of Fort Scott, Kansas, in the 15th Annual Shrine Bowl at Savannah, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, this is the first Mississippi team ever to play in a National Junior College Championship Football Game, and in winning the National Championship and the Number 1 Rating, Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Football Team has brought credit and national recognition to its College, the Mississippi Junior College System and the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, this achievement was attained by a great team effort, with the full support of the student body, the Band, the Perkettes, the Board of Trustees, the Alumni and citizens of the Junior College District:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of December, 1971, as MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST JUNIOR COLLEGE MONTH

in Mississippi, in recognition of its accomplishments in becoming the National Junior College Athletic Association Football Champion, and I urge all Mississippians to join in expressing appreciation to all who contributed to bringing this honor to the College and to the State.

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 thirteenth day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, by invitation, the Starkville High School's Band of "The Blue and The Gray" and its eighty-eight young members have been asked to participate in the International Band Festival in Vienna, Austria, the month of July, 1972; and

WHEREAS, such International Band Festival will bring together the youth of over fifty countries throughout the world, each with a common cultural purpose, varying socio-economic backgrounds, different tongues, religions, races and color; and

WHEREAS, such invitation affords the State of Mississippi, through its youth, to promote International understanding, hospitality and good will among the peoples of different countries with music, the International language, as the common interest and motivation; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State for a Band of Excellence to participate in the Vienna-Europe Youth Festival; and

WHEREAS, Starkville's High School Band of "The Blue and The Gray" has a proven excellence of fifteen consecutive years of awards of highest honor on the State level and, due to its unparalleled all-winning performances in the International competition at Enid, Oklahoma, 1970, "The Band of The Blue and The Gray" is deemed to be such a Band of Excellence:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that "The Band of The Blue and The Gray" be recognized as the State of Mississippi's Ambassadors to Austria and the other countries in Europe where they visit and perform during the aforementioned Festival month. I urge all Mississippians to join in wishing the Starkville High School Band a successful and safe trip, and to support their efforts in attainment.

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 thirteenth day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 25, 1971, CHRISTMAS DAY, and Saturday, January 1, 1972, NEW YEAR'S DAY, have been designated as legal holidays in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, when legal holidays fall on a Saturday, the following Monday shall be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, many State employees who live in other sections of the State will want to visit their homes and relatives during the Christmas Holidays, and it has been customary heretofore to allow a sufficient number of days for such purpose:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi to close their respective offices in observance of the CHRISTMAS SEASON, as follows:

From 12:00 Noon on Thursday, December 23 through Monday, December 27, 1971; and Saturday, January 1, 1972 through Monday, January 3, 1972.

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 City of Jackson on this the 29th day of November, A.D., 1971.

[Signature]
J. B. W.
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE:

WHEREAS, by the provisions of Section 3987, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, the Governor is vested with the power to convene, by public proclamation, the Mississippi State Senate in vacation of the Legislature for concurrence in appointments of the Governor requiring such advice and consent; and

WHEREAS, it is my judgment that the public interest requires that the Senate be convened for the consideration of such matters;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby issue this proclamation to convene the Mississippi State Senate in vacation and do designate Wednesday, December 8, 1971, at 12:00 o'clock noon as the time, and the State Capitol in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, as the place at which said Senate shall be convened; and do designate as the subject to be considered thereat, when so convened, the concurrence by the Senate in appointments made by the Governor requiring the advice and consent of the Senate.

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 twenty-fourth day of November, A.D., 1971.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tuesday, January 18, 1972, is set aside as the day to inaugurate the HONORABLE WILLIAM L. WALLER as GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has provided for a joint session of the House and Senate for the purpose of inaugurating the HONORABLE WILLIAM L. WALLER as GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI and to hear his message to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, many of the state officers and employees would like to attend the inauguration ceremonies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi, in the discretion of the executive head of the department or agency, to close their respective offices on Tuesday, January 18, 1972 during the hours 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

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 thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-seventh.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Auxiliary Police and Reserve Law Officers of Mississippi have performed outstanding voluntary services to the people of Mississippi through their well-trained and effective membership; and

WHEREAS, These reserve law officers have demonstrated unselfish devotion toward protecting and defending the law-abiding people of our State and rendered valuable assistance to the cause of law; and

WHEREAS, There is recognized the need for auxiliary and reserve police forces of trained volunteers to augment the regular forces of our towns, cities and counties; and

WHEREAS, The Reserve Law Officers Association of America has seen fit to declare the month of November, 1971, as dedicated to the reserve law officers in the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of November, 1971, as

RESERVE LAW OFFICERS MONTH

in Mississippi, and call upon all citizens of our State to recognize the contributions which these men have made to good citizenship, community protection, human relations and law enforcement.

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 fifteen day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
TO THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 5946, Mississippi Code of 1942, and amendments thereto, THANKSGIVING DAY is declared a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many state employees will want to visit their homes on THANKSGIVING, living quite a distance from Jackson, and in order that they may visit their families in other sections of the State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi, in the discretion of the executive head of the department or agency, to close their respective offices on Thursday, November 25, 1971, THANKSGIVING DAY, and on Friday, November 26, 1971, in further observance of the THANKSGIVING SEASON.

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 fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION  

BY THE  

GOVERNOR  

WHEREAS, Circle K International, a college service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International, is observing the week of November 7 through November 13, 1971, as Circle K Week; and  

WHEREAS, Circle K International is comprised of young men from the University of Mississippi, Delta State College, Mississippi State University, Mississippi College, Belhaven College, Hinds Junior College, Meridian Junior College, William Carey College, Perkinston Junior College, Jefferson Davis Junior College, Copiah-Lincoln Junior College and Delta Junior College; and  

WHEREAS, the young men of Circle K are part of an international organization dedicated to serving with purpose their God, their country, their state and their fellow man, seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; and  

WHEREAS, they promote the adoption of higher social, business and professional standards and a more concerned and serviceable citizenship; and  

WHEREAS, through their purposeful service and responsible leadership they have helped to build better communities where righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will are more than just words -- where they become goals for living:  

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period from November 7 through November 13, 1971, as  

CIRCLE K WEEK  

in Mississippi.  

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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.  

Governor  

By the Governor:  

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Tree Farm Program is sponsored by the Mississippi Forestry Association, with 1,600 individuals, companies and organizations working together for the economic and environmental progress of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, tree farmers are landowners who voluntarily manage their woodlands for maximum productions and returns; and

WHEREAS, a Tree Farm certification is made publicly recognizing the woodlands owner for outstanding achievement in management for the continuing growth of forest crops for commercial purposes; and

WHEREAS, tree farmers contribute to the present and future well-being of our State by growing timber; and

WHEREAS, since 1955, Mississippi has been number one in number of Tree Farms in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 1971, Mississippi will dedicate its four millionth Tree Farm Acre on the farm of 91-year old Mrs. G. E. Patton near Water Valley:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim November 12, 1971, as...

TREE FARM DAY

in Mississippi.

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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, our system of law and justice has been built upon the foundation of the Ten Commandments; and

WHEREAS, respect for the sacredness, worth and dignity of the individual, an essential element in our system, is rooted in Biblical teachings; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative for modern man, confused and perplexed by rapid technological and social changes, to understand the roots of his moral and spiritual belief-system:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of November 21 through 28, 1971, as BIBLE WEEK in Mississippi, and urge all people of all faiths to observe the week by reading the Scriptures and setting up a plan of regular examination of the Foundation Book of the Judeo-Christian heritage.

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 twenty-ninth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of the United States of America will observe Person-to-Person Week October 31 through November 6, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this week is to attract more girl members and more adult volunteers into Girl Scouting; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of the United States of America is vitally concerned with making a positive contribution to our communities, State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi continually benefit from Girl Scout efforts on behalf of this State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 31 through November 6, 1971, as

GIRL SCOUT PERSON-TO-PERSON WEEK

in the State of Mississippi; and I do further call upon all citizens of this State to give to the Girl Scouts your wholehearted support, interest and cooperation so that increasing numbers of girls may benefit from Girl Scouting.

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 twenty-seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the twenty-fifth day of October, 1971, has been designated as Veterans Day on the national level; and

WHEREAS, the War Veterans Memorial Commission has arranged an appropriate program in observance of National Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, all veterans organizations, the women's auxiliaries, the Veterans Administration and the State Veterans Affairs Commission have joined with the War Veterans Memorial Commission in support of the National Veterans Day Program; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians always stand in the forefront in all patriotic endeavors:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby call upon all citizens to join in the patriotic program on Monday, October 25, 1971, as

NATIONAL VETERANS DAY

in Mississippi in honoring our veterans through their enthusiastic support, presence and prayers.

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 twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, it is of vital interest to all citizens of the United States of America that we possess a sound national defense; and

WHEREAS, it is well known that our strong Navy and Marine Corps are making great contributions to the security of our nation and free men everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the mobile forces of the Navy, manned by highly trained and dedicated personnel, are a deterrent force virtually free from surprise attack; and

WHEREAS, since 1922, October 27th has been celebrated nationally and locally as Navy Day, a day on which it is only fitting and proper that the citizens of this great nation give well deserved honor and recognition to the achievements of our mighty Navy and particularly to its heroic men and women - living and dead - all over the world, for their patriotism, loyalty, efficiency and devotion to duty:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 27, 1971, as

NAVY DAY

in Mississippi, and call upon all citizens of Mississippi to take part in appropriate observance of this day through the many channels open to them.

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 twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the needs of many communities in Mississippi are being met by a group of public-spirited men and women; and

WHEREAS, that group this year celebrates "60 Years of Human Service"; and

WHEREAS, these community service workers strive to be the eyes of the blind, ears of the deaf, lips of the mute, limbs of the handicapped, comfort of the lonely, and friend of the shy; and

WHEREAS, these unselfish men and women have served 21 or more years in the telephone industry, and are members of the Telephone Pioneers of America; and

WHEREAS, the Telephone Pioneers were established in 1911 and have over 2,000 members in Mississippi and approximately 350,000 members in the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS, this makes the Telephone Pioneers of America the largest social-industrial organization of its kind in the world; and

WHEREAS, Pioneers are proud of their organization and live by its motto: "Fellowship, Loyalty, and Service"; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi salute this people-oriented organization; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we set aside one day to observe an important milestone in the ongoing life of Pioneering:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 28, 1971, as TELEGHONE PIONEER DAY in Mississippi, and urge the citizens of this State to assist in every way in its observance.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, October 23rd is recognized nationally as United States' Day; and

WHEREAS, all patriotic American citizens rejoice in that their rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are protected and guaranteed by our United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, we are proud and thankful for our American Heritage; and

WHEREAS, it is customary for all Americans to fly the flag in honor of our living Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 23, 1971, as

UNITED STATES' DAY

in Mississippi, and urge all patriotic citizens to fly their flag of the United States of America in appreciation of our heritage.

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 eleventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the welfare and interest of the public require the dissemination of vital information about health problems affecting the citizens of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, venereal disease has become a rampant communicable disease, reaching epidemic proportions among the young people of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the pharmacists of Mississippi under the leadership of the Mississippi State Pharmaceutical Association are seeking during National Pharmacy Week, October 3 - 9, 1971, to bring the facts on venereal disease prevention, control and treatment to the attention of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi State Pharmaceutical Association is endeavoring to bring together all those concerned with the community's public health:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 3 - 9, 1971, as

NATIONAL PHARMACY WEEK

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 first day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, men of all peoples and places have long marked each annual harvest with appropriate ceremonies expressing gratitude for the bounty of land and sea and joy in the security of plenty; and

WHEREAS, since time immemorial bread has symbolized all food as well as Man's dependence upon the soil, the rain, the sun, the seasons, the science of agriculture, and the benign forces of Nature; and

WHEREAS, among modern peoples and nations of the world a Harvest Festival or a Day of Bread celebration, or both, have become entrenched in religious, family, local, community or regional custom, as holiday periods:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 3 - 9, 1971, as the week of HARVEST FESTIVAL

and Tuesday, October 5, 1971, as the DAY OF BREAD

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to celebrate these occasions with suitable observances.

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 first day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, October 16, 1971, marks the 50th Anniversary of Pilot Club International; and

WHEREAS, we in the State of Mississippi recognize the record of loyal and dedicated service rendered the many communities of this State by the women in Pilot Clubs; and

WHEREAS, we wish to honor the Charter members of this great organization for their foresight in conceiving the ideals and principles of Pilot Club International and pay respectful tribute to their vision which now extends beyond the continental limits of North America and promises to encompass the world:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 16 - 22, 1971, as

PILOT INTERNATIONAL WEEK

in Mississippi, and salute the members of Pilot Club International in the accomplishment of their community service objectives.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the vast majority of the youth of the United States are concerned, knowledgeable and responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments and achievements of these young citizens deserve recognition and praise of their elders; and

WHEREAS, Optimist International has for the past 17 years developed and promoted a program entitled "Youth Appreciation Week", this year to be observed November 8 - 14; and

WHEREAS, President Richard Nixon has signed into being Public Law 92-43 proclaiming November 8 - 14 as National Youth Appreciation Week; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi have indicated a desire to join with the Optimists in expressing appreciation and approval of the contributions of the youth:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim November 8 - 14, 1971, as

YOUTH APPRECIATION WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the National Association of Education Secretaries is a professional association of educational office employees dedicated to assisting in the provision of quality education for the students of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Education Secretaries recognizes the significance of the position of the educational office employee in relation to the entire field of education; and

WHEREAS, the Association feels the responsibility for recruiting office employees:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the second week of October, 1971, as

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PERSONNEL WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the National Federation of Business-and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. is the first and largest organization in the world created to promote the interests of business and professional women; and

WHEREAS, it was organized in July, 1919, in St. Louis, Missouri, by a small group of business and professional women from forty-five states; and

WHEREAS, today the Federation is composed of 3,786 clubs in all fifty states and the District of Columbia, with 176,155 members; and

WHEREAS, the aims and objectives are to elevate the standards, promote the interests, and to bring about a spirit of cooperation among the business and professional women of the United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in cooperation with the National Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, and the Mississippi Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Club, do hereby proclaim the week of October 17 - 23, 1971, as

NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN’S WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to pay tribute to women in business and the professions, and the contribution they make to our State and Nation.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the American Society of Medical Technologists has been awarded a Federal contract to conduct a nationwide census of laboratory personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Society of Medical Technologists will conduct the census throughout the hospitals in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the information gathered through the census will provide a basis for the development of programs related to the needs of continuing education to meet future responsibilities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 11 - 16, 1971, as

NATIONAL LABORATORY CENSUS WEEK

in Mississippi, and I request the chief executive officer of each Mississippi Hospital Association member to cooperate with the Mississippi Society of Medical Technologists in the conduct of the census.

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 twenty-second day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the beef industry is one of the most important segments of the economy of Mississippi, being second only to cotton as an agricultural income producer, contributing $210,000,000 to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, the total investment of beef producers in Mississippi is in excess of $1.6 billion; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi ranks ninth in the nation and first east of the Mississippi River in numbers of beef cattle; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the people of Mississippi recognize the importance of beef in the everyday life of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the week of October 11 - 17 is an appropriate time to honor the beef industry and its contribution to the strength and welfare of our state because of the numbers of high quality beef animals now on display at the Mississippi State Fair:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 11 - 17, 1971, as

MISSISSIPPI BEEF WEEK

and I respectfully urge all business organizations, producers and consumers to cooperate in the observance of Mississippi Beef Week and urge all housewives to serve nutritious beef throughout the week.

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 twenty-ninth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, each year more than 675,000 hunters and fishermen in Mississippi contribute to conservation and outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, since the turn of the century, hunters and fishermen have consistently been in the forefront of every conservation crusade, and were the first to decry the destruction of America’s forests, streams, soils, and wetlands; for more than fifty years having carried a lonely crusade to manage natural resources wisely and demanded protection of all fish and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, because of their love of the outdoors and their awareness of the beauty of nature and the necessity of protecting wildlife habitat and the scenic grandeur, hunters and fishermen were the first to plead for the conservation and improvement of the Nation’s environment; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi’s hunters and fishermen are a significant boost to the economy of our State by their expenditures for licenses, equipment, meals, lodging and travel — and having directed that the revenue derived from the sale of licenses be spent on wildlife management, research and law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, it has become of crucial importance in the congestion and frustration of today’s complex life that all of us participate in outdoor recreation such as hunting and fishing, and that we encourage hunters and fishermen to continue their conservation crusade and their enjoyment of outdoor recreation to insure our spiritual and physical survival:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, in recognition of the contribution of Mississippi’s hunters and fishermen to the preservation and conservation of our natural resources, and for their participation in healthful and wholesome recreation and its encouragement, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 25, 1971, as

HUNTING AND FISHING DAY IN MISSISSIPPI

and urge all Mississippians and sportsmen's groups to observe the day with demonstrations of their sports and skills for public witnessing; and further urge all citizens to attend and enjoy such demonstrations and rededicate themselves to the conservation and respectful use of our wildlife and natural resources.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed on this the 20th day of September, 1971.

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GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, September 17, 1971, marks the one hundred eighty-fourth anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, to accord official recognition to this memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic exercise that will form a noteworthy feature of the occasion, seems fitting and proper; and

WHEREAS, Public Law No. 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23, 1971, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all our citizens to pay special attention during that week to our Federal Constitution and the advantages of American Citizenship.

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 seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Tom Lester, a native of Mississippi, has established himself as a respected and talented public entertainer; and

WHEREAS, through his outstanding attainments in the Performing Arts, Tom Lester has received high acclaim throughout the Nation; and

WHEREAS, he has devoted much of his time in prominent public service by promoting the causes of law and order, moral integrity and love of country; and

WHEREAS, Tom Lester has been a good-will ambassador for the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the 26th day of August, 1971, as

TOM LESTER DAY

in Mississippi, and commend him for his public service.

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 twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, a free society such as ours needs a strong Army to protect its highest interests in times of grave national peril; and an Army to be strong and effective must be an Army entirely contemporary and in tune with the needs of its soldiers as well as the needs of the larger society it serves; and

WHEREAS, the modern United States Army is taking new and bold steps to accommodate the legitimate sensitivities and desires of today's young American men and women; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army offers to many of our brightest and most promising young people the opportunity for education and training in more than 300 skills and professions, that they may become more useful and responsible citizens of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, answering the call to the national defense can and should be a highly honorable vocation, meriting the great respect and appreciation of all Americans:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1971, as

MODERN VOLUNTEER ARMY MONTH

in Mississippi, and I commend this observance to all our citizens, but especially to those young Mississippians between the ages of 17 and 21.

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 nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.
WHEREAS, more Mississippians each year are choosing water recreation as the ideal way to relax with their families and friends. All too often, however, what starts out as a pleasant outing ends in tragedy because family members have not learned to swim, failed to take safety precautions while using their boats, wading or playing near the water; and

WHEREAS, every year, over 100 Mississippians lose their lives while boating or swimming. The fatalities can be reduced and water recreation made more pleasurable, if those who engage in it will emphasize water safety rules; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the need for that emphasis, water safety oriented organizations are making an all out effort to reduce fatalities and accidents throughout the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the Labor Day weekend, as

WATER SAFETY HOLIDAY

in Mississippi, and urge all who go near the water to acquire those skills essential to their own safety and that of others and apply them carefully.

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 nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.
WHEREAS, the Native Country Music of America is a reflection of the history, folkways and musical traditions of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation of Country Music throughout the land is increasing through the efforts of the many segments of the music and entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, the many persons and business enterprises devoting their time and efforts to the better understanding and appreciation of Country Music constitute an important segment of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, many Mississippi entertainers and representatives of Country Music and allied fields will actively participate in a special observance of the progress and growth of Country Music during the month of October, 1971:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1971, as

COUNTRY MUSIC MONTH

in Mississippi, and call upon our citizens to observe the month of October with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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 eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, October 15 is observed as National Poetry Day throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, poetry is a reflection of the beauty of the universe captured on the canvas of the human mind; and in this age of conflict, poetry tends to elevate the souls of men and make them more cognizant of the hand of God, who wills that the road of all men be one of peace; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi joins with her sister states in urging all citizens to observe in a fitting manner Poetry Day on October 15, 1971, in the great Magnolia State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 15, 1971, as

POETRY DAY

in Mississippi.

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 eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the well-being of our citizens depends on the health of our economy; and

WHEREAS, the principle of freedom of enterprise is the basis of our economy and provides the chief impetus for its growth and stability; and

WHEREAS, a better understanding of freedom of enterprise by the people of Mississippi would preserve and strengthen our free economy:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of August 29 - September 4, 1971, as

FREEDOM OF ENTERPRISE WEEK

and urge our citizens to acquaint themselves with the principles of freedom of enterprise, and to avail themselves of the special opportunities provided during this observance by Kiwanis clubs in their communities.

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 eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, The Mississippi State Society, Children of the American Revolution, cooperating with the National Society, C.A.R., is sponsoring October 12 to 19, 1971, as "Patriotic Education Week"; and

WHEREAS, The National Society, Children of the American Revolution, has received a Freedom's Foundation Award for several years, for its efforts throughout the Nation during Patriotic Education Week to stimulate Patriotism; and

WHEREAS, The National C.A.R. Theme for the year is "Government of the People - Strive to Keep It Great", and the Patriotic Education program for the year is directed in this direction; and

WHEREAS, The Need for citizens who know and appreciate their American Heritage and the struggles the Past Generations have made to build our American Way of Life, has never been greater so that future generations may also enjoy liberties in a Free America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12 to 19, 1971, as PATRIOTIC EDUCATION WEEK

and urge my fellow Mississippians to join in the observance by reflecting upon the Legacy of Liberty which ALL Americans enjoy, and the responsible citizenship needed to Perpetuate this truly Great American Heritage.

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 eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, John Howard Vaught found it necessary for reasons of health to retire from active duty as Head Football Coach at the University of Mississippi after the 1970 season culminating twenty-four highly successful years in that position; and

WHEREAS, through his skill, superior judgment and qualities of leadership, John Howard Vaught succeeded in bringing the Ole Miss Rebel Football Team into a position of national prominence in the athletic world; and

WHEREAS, in the course of his service to the University of Mississippi, Ole Miss Football Teams won two National Championships and six Southeastern Conference Championships; were ranked in the country's "Top Ten" teams ten times; and attained the signal honor of having the 1959 team selected as the "Team of the Decade" in the Southeastern Conference; and

WHEREAS, during Coach Vaught’s career at Ole Miss, he developed numerous outstanding athletes, including nineteen who were chosen for membership on All American Teams; and

WHEREAS, during the "John Vaught Era" Ole Miss football teams participated in eighteen post-season Bowl Games---fourteen of which were in successive years, setting an all-time national record; and

WHEREAS, Coach John Howard Vaught---master builder of men---brought great credit to the State of Mississippi, and has become a "legend in his time"; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is profoundly grateful to Coach Vaught for the great contribution he has made to the University of Mississippi, to our State, and to our youth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to and appreciation for an outstanding career of service to our State do hereby proclaim Saturday, August 14, 1971, as

COACH JOHN HOWARD VAUGHT APPRECIATION DAY IN MISSISSIPPI

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 on this the 14th day of August, A.D., 1971.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is profoundly saddened by the death of Honorable William Nathaniel Ethridge, Jr., Chief Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, this distinguished jurist has enriched the legal profession throughout the entire span of his career; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Ethridge was the embodiment of courage, compassion, integrity, ability, energy, dedication and a profound belief in God; and

WHEREAS, he applied these qualities and his talents to the promotion of justice to all persons without regard to status;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a great and good servant of this State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Chief Justice William Nathaniel Ethridge, Jr., I authorize the heads of all departments and agencies to close their offices on the date of his funeral, Friday, July 30, 1971, in order that their employees may attend the funeral services, and that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half-staff from July 29, 1971, until interment, on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction and control.

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 on this the 29th day of July, A. D., 1971.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the baton twirling movement has affected the lives of American girls and boys, and now has nearly one million active participants; and

WHEREAS, baton twirling has been instrumental in building the confidence and character of these young people, and has provided guidance and training so that they might become better qualified citizens; and

WHEREAS, the art of baton twirling is today the second largest nationwide beneficial youth movement for girls; and

WHEREAS, baton twirling plays an important part in children's hospitals as a unique and effective method of physical therapy; and

WHEREAS, baton twirlers lend so much color and inspiration to our community celebrations, parades, school events and other activities; and

WHEREAS, champion twirlers from all of the United States will gather at the University of Notre Dame in August to conduct a colorful youth pageant called "America's Youth on Parade;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of August 1 to August 7, 1971, as

NATIONAL BATON TWIRLING WEEK

in Mississippi, and do urge our citizens to support the colorful and beneficial youth movement of baton twirling, which is of such importance to the youth of our state and to youth everywhere.

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 twenty-eighth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-sixth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the tolling of the Liberty Bell at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the Fourth day of July, 1776, proclaimed the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this historic document marked the birth of our country as a free and independent nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the anniversary of this great event should be appropriately observed in each year at the same moment throughout the United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the hour of 1 o'clock, Central Daylight Saving Time, the Fourth day of July, 1971, for the time of observing the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence by the ringing of bells throughout the State of Mississippi, and I call upon civic and other community leaders to take appropriate steps to encourage public participation in this observance.

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 first day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service is the messenger and servant of all the people; and

WHEREAS, it is dependent for its proper functioning upon the acceptance and cooperation of the loyal people of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, to be successful within its own structure, it must have trained and skilled employees dedicated to a service for and to the loyal people of the United States of America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim July 1, 1971, as

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE DAY

in Mississippi, and call upon all citizens of the Magnolia State to join in an observance of this day; and further, to commend the UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE for its concerned dedication to bring about better service to the people of the United States of America.

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 twenty-second day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir of the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi, has gained renown as one of the outstanding choirs in our State and has displayed great initiative through its promotion of a performing tour throughout the eastern and southeastern portion of the United States July 19 through July 30, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir will represent our State and promote the many virtues of Mississippi to scores of people who witness its performance on this tour; and

WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir has long been a symbol of superior performance in concert and has gained for Mississippi the reputation for developing superior musicians and youth of high character through spiritual training:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare the Chapel Choir of the First Baptist Church of Grenada, Mississippi as the

OFFICIAL CHOIR OF MISSISSIPPI

for its forthcoming tour of the eastern and southeastern United States and as my personal ambassadors of good will from the citizens of Mississippi.

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 twenty-first day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Secretary of State:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, nursing homes in Mississippi are taking an active role in providing for the needs of the elderly, the convalescent and ill entrusted to their care; and

WHEREAS, there are in this State approximately 125 nursing homes and related extended care facilities able to provide care for 6,000 persons; and

WHEREAS, these facilities provide for the medical and nursing service needs of their patients as well as special services relating to their physical, occupational, recreational and spiritual needs; and

WHEREAS, member homes of the Mississippi Nursing Home Association have embarked on a program to help fulfill the social needs of their patients by encouraging greater community concern; and

WHEREAS, the member homes of the Mississippi Nursing Home Association are participating in the observance of National Nursing Home Week, June 20 - 26, 1971:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of June 20 - 26, 1971, as MISSISSIPPI NURSING HOME WEEK

and urge residents of our great State to assist nursing homes in achieving their goal of creating community understanding and awareness of the needs, learning of their problems and progress, and showing these patients that the community cares.

I further urge that citizens acquaint themselves with the unique role of nursing homes in the total health care community of the State of Mississippi.

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 eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, history is an insistent, demanding taskmaster who thrusts upon man a constant challenge to adapt, to excel or to relinquish his dominant role on the stage of life. Nor can any society ignore that challenge, and survive; for all of us, willingly or unwillingly, are a part of the vast drama, and by our individual dreams, attitudes and actions, inevitably shape the destiny of this great State, this powerful Nation; and

WHEREAS, experience, the ultimate teacher, has repeatedly disclosed to man vivid truths in regard to history: that power, in all its forms, can be a merciless giant unless counterbalanced by the spiritual force of compassion, tolerance and courage; that tyranny is a patient, ever-watchful evil which constantly probes for, and exploits, weakness and dissension in our society; and that man, through the exercise of personal responsibility, constructive initiative and cooperative good will possesses power which is both a tool and a weapon in assuring survival of our Nation and its ideals; and

WHEREAS, our civilian communities and their military neighbors in the State of Mississippi are regularly promoting the principles of cooperation, respect and diligence in their mutual efforts to assure progress and security for all citizens. The southern portion of our State harbors Keesler Air Force Base, a military installation which has spent three decades in productive harmony with the cities and towns of our seacoast. The civilian and military leadership of that progressive area give daily proof that when good judgment and good will prevail, achievement and prosperity are a natural consequence:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, and in recognition of Keesler Air Force Base as a long-time friend, and a reliable and trusted member of our State's family of communities, do hereby proclaim the week of eight to twelve June, 1971, as

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE 30TH ANNIVERSARY WEEK

and the 12th day of June 1971 as

KEESLER'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY DAY

and I urge everyone to observe this period as a reflection of the benefits and service possible when civilian and military citizenry join in the attainment of practical goals and the furtherance of our democracy's ideals.

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 first day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
WHEREAS, the county officials of the County of Sunflower County, Mississippi, and the city officials of the City of Drew and the City of Ruleville, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite mobs, riots, mob violence which could lead to breach of peace and acts of intimidation or terror, are anticipated by said officials within said County, and particularly within said municipalities of Drew and Ruleville, Mississippi; said officials have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the county officials of Sunflower County, Mississippi, and the city officials of the City of Drew and Ruleville, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 on this the 26th day of May, A. D., 1971.

[Signature]
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America, the Nation's largest youth organization, was founded on February 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in 1916 for the purpose "to promote the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance and kindred virtues"; and

WHEREAS, since its founding 61 years ago, generations of American boys have been taught to cherish and protect our abundant natural resources and our system of Government based on the rule of law and the inalienable rights of man; and

WHEREAS, June 5, 1971, has been set aside for National Anti-Litter Day and a nationwide conservation project known as Project SOAR (Save Our American Resources); and

WHEREAS, the Andrew Jackson Council, Pine Burr Area Council, Delta Area Council, Choctaw Area Council, Yocona Council and Pushmataha Council in Mississippi will conduct a massive cleanup campaign of all Mississippi Communities on June 5, 1971:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of Scouting's service to this community, do hereby declare and proclaim June 5, 1971, as

NATIONAL ANTI-LITTER DAY

in Mississippi. All citizens and organizations are urged to conduct appropriate observances of this occasion and support the Boy Scouts throughout the years as they engage the enemy in the fight to Save Our American Resources.

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 twenty-fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the story of America's growth is in large part the story of her growing transportation systems: the Post roads and canals which linked our first States, the Yankee Clippers which built New England's commerce, the steel rails which bound together a transcontinental community and the great air fleets which bring Hawaii and Alaska closer today than New York and Chicago were in 1940; and

WHEREAS, today, the field of transportation accounts for approximately 20 per cent of this nation's gross national product and employs more than ten million persons. Yet we know, as we enter a new decade, that the growth of our transportation systems is just beginning. This growth must be carefully planned and intelligently directed - both our economic prosperity and our military security will depend on it; and so will the quality of life in our country. It is important, for example, that considerations of safety and environmental protection be kept in mind as we expand our transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, it was to focus attention on both the achievements and the challenges of the transportation industry and its employees that the Congress, by joint resolution approved May 16, 1957, requested the President to proclaim annually the third Friday of May each year as National Defense Transportation Day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate Friday, May 21, 1971, as NATIONAL DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION DAY

in Mississippi.

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 seventeenth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Bob Hope, through unselfish giving of his time and talents and through his boundless personal efforts, has provided the American serviceman with the finest in entertainment; and

WHEREAS, this man always places members of the Armed Forces first on his busy agenda; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians who were and are members of the United States military forces have benefitted from his fearless, topical humor; and

WHEREAS, Bob Hope did come to Mississippi in its time of need following the terrible destruction of Hurricane Camille to help raise funds for the storm victims; and

WHEREAS, this man instills in the American public a true sense of patriotism and pride in this country with his unyielding support of the Active Military Forces, the National Guard, and its other Reserve Components; and

WHEREAS, Bob Hope continues to carry on his humanitarian role by sponsoring and participating in events that raise thousands of dollars annually for worthwhile charities, many benefitting servicemen:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 7, 1971, as

BOB HOPE DAY

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of this State to join in paying honor to this outstanding American.

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 fifth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is rapidly gaining favor throughout the Nation as a State which has wide and varied appeal for tourists and vacationers, and this growing tourist and recreation business adds to the general welfare and prosperity of the State; and

WHEREAS, the further development of this potential $500,000,000 annual industry is of paramount importance to the State and to the continued prosperity of our people; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Agricultural and Industrial Board is conducting an aggressive program to encourage citizens of other states to visit Mississippi and enjoy her many historic, scenic and recreational attractions; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi, her communities and her people have inherited an attitude of friendliness and hospitality from their forefathers, these attributes having a place of primary importance in making our visitors feel at home while within our borders and in continuing their friendship after their departure:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1971, as

HOSPITALITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippi communities, our people, the various organizations of the State and local and State officials to take part in the programs and activities which have been planned for this period to the end that the entire Nation may come to realize that a "Mississippi Welcome" is the best kind of welcome there is.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, communication impairments affect a person in all areas of life, greatly affecting his happiness and well-being; and

WHEREAS, there are an estimated fifteen to twenty million Americans suffering from hearing and speech impairments, an estimated 67,000 ages 0-21 in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi State Department of Education, Special Education Office, Jackson, Mississippi, and the members of the Mississippi Speech and Hearing Association have worked to acquaint the public with the problems surrounding hearing and speech disorders and to bring better services to the speech and hearing impaired; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to inform the citizenry of the problems of hearing and speech and the local sources of help available;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the Month of May, 1971, to be

HEARING AND SPEECH MONTH

in Mississippi, and do urge the citizens of Mississippi and the various organizations interested therein to do all that is fitting and proper, and by all suitable observances and ceremonies to join the Mississippi Speech and Hearing Association in giving recognition to this problem at this time.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, transportation forms a vital and essential link in the commerce of the nation; and

WHEREAS, carriers by rail, motor truck, vessels and aircraft carriers, through the investment of enormous sums of private capital, have developed a national transportation system for the benefit of business superior to that in any other nation of the world; and

WHEREAS, the transportation performed by rail, motor truck, vessel and aircraft carriers has been a primary factor in the growth and development of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17 - 21, 1971, as NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK in Mississippi.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, trade between nations is an expression of mutual dependence and good will. The international flow of goods is an instrument of world cooperation that fosters the well-being of peoples; and

WHEREAS, a strong position in world trade and investment has become a basic pillar of our economy; and

WHEREAS, now, more than ever before, Mississippi must seek to strengthen its role as a supplier to the global marketplace. An increased international effort will strengthen the position of the dollar abroad and enable us to meet our responsibilities to the international community. It will also provide added stimulus to the economy of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 16, 1971, as WORLD TRADE WEEK in Mississippi, and I call upon the business community and the peoples of Mississippi to consider world trade as an important priority which warrants their attention and productive efforts.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians are recognized as the first Mississippians, and do possess a rich and unique history; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians has never borne arms against the United States Government, but today, as in the past, serve proudly in the armed forces of this country; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians aid in advancing the economic growth of this great state by attracting tourists throughout this country to its annual Choctaw Indian Fair; and

WHEREAS, all Mississippian continually bestow praise and respect on the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians as a vital and dynamic force in this state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of the 22nd Annual Choctaw Indian Fair, being the week of July 11 - July 17, 1971, as

CHOCTAW INDIAN WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of Mississippi to attend the Choctaw Indian Fair in Philadelphia, Mississippi, to learn more about the past, present and future of this noble Indian nation.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, 1971 is the sixty-third anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps, a vital organization in the United States Navy and an essential component in the defense of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Navy Nurse Corps supports the fleet in helping to maintain the health of the members of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the Navy Nurse Corps throughout the years and throughout the world has served its country in the highest traditions of professional excellence in time of peace and in time of national emergency; and

WHEREAS, Navy Nurses continue to carry out this mission, working in the fields of nursing care, teaching, and nursing research, around the globe, afloat and ashore; always striving for greater perfection in these fields:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 10-14, 1971, as NAVY NURSE CORPS WEEK

in Mississippi, in recognition of the importance of Navy Nurses to our National Defense and our way of life; and I urge the citizens of Mississippi to support the Navy Nurse Corps, its goals and traditions.

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 twenty-third day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Dr. James Herbert White, President of Mississippi Valley State College, has contributed to the honor and distinction of the entire State of Mississippi for twenty-one years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. White transposed an open, plowed field into one of the most productive institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, Dr. White, through faith and vision, has developed and nurtured an institution of learning with a student body in excess of 2,000, that is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, has a plant investment valued in excess of $16,000,000.00 and has produced more than 3,000 graduates; and

WHEREAS, Dr. White has made a permanent mark upon the pages of learning and the history of Mississippi, and Dr. White has earned the tributes which he so richly deserves:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 13, 1971, as

DR. JAMES HERBERT WHITE RECOGNITION DAY

in Mississippi in appreciation and recognition of his faithful years of unselfish service as President of Mississippi Valley State College, and I urge all Mississippians to join in showing our respect and admiration for him.

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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Twenty-third Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo will be held in the City of Gulfport on July 2-5, 1971, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, this great sporting event has proved to be a recreational attraction of national-international prominence; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi are desirous of becoming better acquainted with the people of other states of our nation and our good neighbors in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, this giant sport fishing event is provided for the recreation and pleasure of our citizens and those of the United States and neighboring Latin American Republics; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1964-65 the Legislature and the Governor of the State of Mississippi did by official act designate the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo as the Official Sport Fishing Classic for the State of Mississippi, and by joint resolution granted this Giant Sport Fishing Classic a citation memorializing its activities as beneficial to the State of Mississippi as a tourist attraction and the furthering of Mississippi's natural sport fishing resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the days of July 2, 3, 4, and 5, 1971, as MISSISSIPPI DEEP SEA FISHING RODEO DAYS

and do hereby urge all Mississippians and Americans who are interested in clean, wholesome and invigorating sports, particularly the sport of fishing, to come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast for this event; and I do hereby request as many of our people as possible to participate.

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 third day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, it has become a national tradition for the President to proclaim the month of May as a time each year to give recognition to the older members of our population; and

WHEREAS, older Mississippians have gained invaluable experience in meeting the challenge of our rapidly changing society, and they can contribute materially to raising the quality of life for all; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Council on Aging is now conducting ten programs designed solely for the senior citizens in the areas encompassed by these programs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the

MONTH OF MAY, 1971

SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI

and request that this month be set apart in our homes, churches, clubs, counties, municipalities and organizations to honor our senior citizens. I urge all Mississippians to cooperate with the Mississippi Council on Aging in its efforts and to express our appreciation to our senior citizens for their many contributions to our State and Nation.

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 third day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Mississippi women are a vital segment of the insurance industry, and they deserve commendation and recognition for their outstanding accomplishments and contributions in this truly professional field; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi insurance women are not only effective locally and state wide in the related fields such as Fire Prevention, Safety and Crime Prevention, but also effective nationally; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi insurance women actively participate as members of the National Association of Insurance Women (International);

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 16, 1971, through May 22, 1971, as

NATIONAL INSURANCE WOMEN'S WEEK

IN MISSISSIPPI

and I urge our citizens to do honor to these women who are performing such important services throughout the insurance industry.

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 third day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Salvation Army has rendered devoted service to God and man for over 100 years, and has ministered to the spiritual and material well being of the needy people of Mississippi for many, many years; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army, since its founding, has considered all men to be children of God who recognizes no distinction of color, creed, or national origin among His sons;

NOW THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of May 10-16, 1971, as

SALVATION ARMY WEEK

in our state and do urge all citizens to join me in honoring the dedicated and compassionate service of The Salvation Army and its representatives in the State of Mississippi.

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 third day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The United States Air Force Band and the Singing Sergeants are the official musical representatives of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, They have traveled in all fifty states and in most of the countries of the world representing the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, They have earned the title of "America's International Musical Ambassadors"; and

WHEREAS, They have selected the City of Jackson for a performance on Tuesday, May 4, 1971, to be held in the City Auditorium at 8:00 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, They have selected the City of Hattiesburg for a performance on Wednesday, May 5, 1971, at 8:00 P.M., at the auditorium on the University of Southern Mississippi campus;

NOW THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2-7, 1971 as

AIR FORCE BAND WEEK

throughout the State of Mississippi.

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 thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, well over ten million people in the United States now enjoy the healthful recreation and sportsmanship of the Game of Golf; and

WHEREAS, The Professional Golfers' Association of America will sponsor the Twentieth Annual NATIONAL GOLF DAY on Monday, May 31, 1971; and

WHEREAS, during the last nineteen years, over $1,500,000.00 has been realized from NATIONAL GOLF DAY for United Service Organizations, the American Red Cross, Caddie Scholarship Funds, the U.S. Blind Golfers Association, the National Amputee Golf Association, the Jaycee War Memorial Fund, Golf facilities at Veterans' Hospitals and Military installations, Turf Research and Education, Golf Professional Education, financial assistance to those in straitened circumstances who have devoted their lives to Golf; and

WHEREAS, this day in 1971 will offer all the Golfers of America an opportunity to assist again many of these worthy charities and projects, as well as an opportunity to compete against the Men's and Ladies' PGA Champions and USGA Open Champions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Monday, May 31, 1971, as GOLF DAY in Mississippi, and urge all the Golfers of our state to cooperate in this worthwhile venture by playing a round of Golf, thereby contributing to the many deserving charities and projects associated with this great Game.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, throughout American history, the Merchant Marine has been indispensable to our security and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, today, our merchant fleet binds us in peaceful commerce with the increasingly interdependent nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, merchant ships carry the essentials of life to millions in need and have transported more than 20 million tons of food, weapons and supplies to our fighting men in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, to remind Americans of the important role which the merchant marine plays in our national life, the Congress in 1933 designated the anniversary of the first transatlantic voyage by a steamship, the SS Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually in observance of that day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 22, 1971, as MARITIME DAY

in Mississippi, and do hereby urge the people of the State of Mississippi to honor our American Merchant Marine on May 22, 1971, by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, all persuasive programs that guide, encourage and inspire the youth of our state in healthful and constructive development deserve the support of all our people; and

WHEREAS, one such program, dedicated to pre-teen boys, is the Official Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit and Throw Competition (PH&T), open to all boys aged 9 through 12; and

WHEREAS, PH&T teaches the importance of good health and physical fitness and helps a boy to learn that achievement, in any endeavor, must be earned by individual effort and determination. It also provides an opportunity for adults to demonstrate their concern for our youth; and

WHEREAS, PH&T merits the support of all people and institutions in the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of May 22 through May 28, 1971, as PH&T WEEK throughout the State of Mississippi, and I urge all eligible boys to register to take full advantage of its potential for bettering their lives and the future of our state.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Heber L. Maddox
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, more Americans each year are choosing boating as the ideal way to relax with their families and friends. All too often, however, what starts out as a pleasant cruise ends in tragedy because boatmen fail to teach their families to swim, fail to properly equip their craft with life preservers and other protective devices, or fail to instruct their passengers on the use of such devices prior to a boating cruise; and

WHEREAS, every year, about 1,300 lives are lost in boating accidents. These fatalities can be reduced and boating made more pleasurable if those who engage in it will emphasize boating safety rules; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the need for that emphasis, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved June 4, 1958 (72 Stat. 179), has requested the President to proclaim annually the week which includes July 4 as National Safe Boating Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week beginning July 4, 1971, as SAFE BOATING WEEK in Mississippi, and urge all who use our waterways to acquire those skills essential to their own safety and that of others and to apply them carefully.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:  

Heber H. Ladnier  
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, we have been endowed by our Creator not only with the blessings and benefits of our animal friends, who provide us clothing, food and pleasure in life, but also with a firm responsibility to protect the dumb creatures given us as a sacred trust, and to show kindness and mercy to them in all of our affairs; and

WHEREAS, the people in the State of Mississippi are deeply indebted to the animal anti-cruelty control and welfare agencies for the invaluable contribution they make each year in educating our children in humane principles, and in promoting a true working spirit of kindness and consideration for animals in the minds and hearts of all our people; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the timeless value of the teaching of kindness to our young people through humane education, and realize that out of kindness to dumb creatures grows kindness and love for both Man and God; and

WHEREAS, the week of May 2 to 8, 1971, has been set as the fifty-sixth annual celebration of the national week observing the philosophy of kindness to animals:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2 to 8, 1971, as

BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK

in Mississippi, and do heartily commend to all our citizens a full participation in all the events related thereto.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the city officials of the City of Moss Point, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite mobs, riots, mob violence which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them on the campus and grounds and in the buildings of the Moss Point Public Schools in the City of Moss Point, Mississippi; and the city officials of Moss Point, Mississippi, anticipating the same activities within the City of Moss Point, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the city officials of the City of Moss Point, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 on this the 15th day of April, A. D., 1971.

[Signature]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS,
GOVERNOR

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, three thousand colleges and universities, ten thousand high schools and grade schools, and two thousand communities participated in programs last April, which culminated in Earth Day; and

WHEREAS, this constructive, educational effort involved and demonstrated the shared environmental concern of a wide spectrum of Americans of all ages and interests; and

WHEREAS, the activities represented and promoted a greater American awareness and understanding of the environmental problems facing the Nation; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for continuing environmental education, review and assessment of environmental progress and of additional steps required:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April 20, 1971, as

EARTH DAY, 1971

in Mississippi, and I urge all citizens, groups, and institutions to participate in programs related to that effort.

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 twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, many residents of Mississippi, who have served their country loyally both in war and peace, continue to wear the uniform of the United States Army, as citizen-soldier members of the United States Army Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the Reserve units of Mississippi are composed of Army Reservists who selflessly devote weekends and vacation time to training assemblies and keeping in a state of readiness for any call to active duty; and

WHEREAS, these Army Reservists serve in all areas of the life of this State with the same sense of responsibility and dedication with which they are serving the Nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April, 1971, as

U. S. ARMY RESERVE COMMUNITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of this State to pay tribute to their neighbors who are members of the Army Reserve.

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 first day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, from time to time individuals who have distinguished themselves through exceptional achievement or service to God and Country deserve the attention of Mississippians; and

WHEREAS, Captain James M. Hill, Jr., CEC, USN, a native of the State of Mississippi, is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and received postgraduate instruction at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Civil Engineering and Master of Civil Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Captain Hill has distinguished himself as a naval officer, having been awarded the Legion of Merit with Combat V; a Gold Star in lieu of a second award of the Legion of Merit; the Gallantry Cross with Palm; the Commendation Medal with Gold Star; the American Campaign Medal; WWII Victory Medal; National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star; and the Vietnam Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Captain Hill assumed command of the Naval Construction Battalion Center and the TWENTIETH Naval Construction Regiment at Gulfport, Mississippi, on December 10, 1968; and

WHEREAS, the SEABEES, under the command of Captain Hill, following Hurricane Camille, performed a Herculean task and were responsible for reducing suffering, property losses and for helping the coastal communities recover from the havoc wreaked by the hurricane; and

WHEREAS, Captain Hill has selflessly given of himself over the past few years to assist in fund raising campaigns, recreation programs, relief for POW's, veterans programs and untold other worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, when called upon to lend his support to any worthwhile project, he never knew how to say "No":

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 13, 1971, as CAPTAIN JAMES M. HILL DAY

and do call on Mississippians to observe the day by honoring Captain Hill.

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 thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the city officials of the City of Belzoni, Mississippi, and the Sheriff of Humphreys County, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite mobs, riots, mob violence which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them on the campus and grounds and in the buildings of Humphreys County Public School System in the City of Belzoni, Mississippi, and in the County of Humphreys, Mississippi; and the city officials of Belzoni, Mississippi, and the Sheriff of Humphreys County, Mississippi, anticipating the same activities within the City of Belzoni, Mississippi, and in Humphreys County, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the city officials of the City of Belzoni, Mississippi, and the Sheriff of Humphreys County, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 on April 12, 1971.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the membership of the American Business Women's Association is composed of women in varied occupations and professions with more than 55,000 members enrolled in over 900 chapters throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the Association is dedicated to elevating the status of all women in business, through appropriate training, the improvement of employer-employee relations, and continuing education; and

WHEREAS, one of the main objectives of this Association is the awarding of scholarships to qualified and deserving women students; and

WHEREAS, this past year ABWA chapters, in conjunction with the Association's national educational fund, have awarded scholarships amounting to over $355,000:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of May to be

ABWA SCHOLARSHIP MONTH

in Mississippi, and do urge all residents of this state to take proper cognizance thereof.

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 twenty-ninth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the period of May 2 through 9, 1971, will mark the 48th annual observance of National Music Week; and

WHEREAS, music is a vital part of the culture of every civilized nation; and the people of the United States are proving themselves to be a great music-producing and music-loving nation; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon all of us to join together to advance the cause of music as an art and harmonious force, and to extend the radius of its influence among nations, groups, and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the pursuit of music, whether it be through study, composing, listening, performing, or participation, gives rich experiences in human life; and

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Music Clubs through National Music Week provides an opportunity for the organized musical forces of the country, as well as religious and educational and civic groups, to join music lovers in emphasizing the joys and pleasures to be gained from making music:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2 through 9, 1971, to be

NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge the citizens in every community to participate in making music; to foster a deeper appreciation for musical talent; and to encourage with interest and enthusiasm the music programs offered in special events arranged for this week.

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 twenty-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Order of DeMolay is a character building organization of young men from fourteen to twenty-one years of age, who are seeking to prepare themselves as better leaders and citizens for tomorrow by developing those traits and strengths of character of all good men; and

WHEREAS, the organization has carried out the aforementioned goals for over 50 years through programs of athletic competitions, social activities, civic service and charitable projects; and

WHEREAS, all the DeMolay members of the Mississippi State Chapter will observe the year of 1971 as the "52nd Anniversary of DeMolay," so as to exemplify to all citizens here and elsewhere their many activities, and to show recognition to their millions of Senior DeMolays:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 14-21, 1971, as

INTERNATIONAL DEMOLAY WEEK

in Mississippi, and call upon all our citizens to join in saluting the young men of the Order of DeMolay and in expressing our grateful appreciation of the fine examples set by these young leaders in contributing to the welfare and character of other young men in this community, thus aiding in the development and leadership of tomorrow.

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 first day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
WHEREAS, America's moral and physical strength is undergoing a severe test in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, many brave and courageous sons of America and Mississippi have stood firmly with vigor and determination in their fight to preserve the rights of free men to determine their own destiny; and

WHEREAS, Mississippian. who have answered the call to duty have demonstrated their faith, love and devotion to God and country, and their wives, families and loved ones at home have experienced hardships and grievances; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians continually bestow honor and respect on those who have paid the high price of being an American and those who have endured such grave hardships and great losses in seeking a respectable and honorable end to this conflict:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 20, 1971, as

SUPPORT AMERICA'S ARMED FORCES IN VIETNAM DAY

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of Mississippi to pray for those who have served there, and mourn those who have died there.

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 nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, women play an increasingly greater part in the insurance industry throughout our nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Insurance Women (International) now has a membership over 14,000; and

WHEREAS, these women deserve commendation and recognition for their outstanding accomplishments in this important field:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 16-22, 1971, as

NATIONAL INSURANCE WOMEN'S WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to pay proper tribute to the women who are performing such important services throughout the insurance industry in the State of Mississippi.

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 first day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the active poison prevention campaign is designed to reduce accidental poisonings among our young children; and

WHEREAS, educational programs combined with improved labeling and packaging techniques and medical procedures have all contributed to a steady decline in deaths among children caused by poisons:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 21 - 27, 1971, as

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in this State. I urge all appropriate agencies of State Government, and invite local governments and organizations, to cooperate in a coordinated campaign designed to reduce further this threat to our young people.

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 ninth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, on or about March 21, 1969, a truck and trailer struck a one hundred-foot steel truss approach span of the bridge across Buffalo River on Mississippi Highway No. 563, Federal Aid Route No. 156, in Wilkinson County, Mississippi, causing same to collapse; and

WHEREAS, due to the low traffic volume and the relative priority of this route to others and the shortage of funds for highway construction to meet the needs, the State has been unable to replace this structure and as a consequence thereof, local and through traffic and local industry served by this facility have been seriously affected; and

WHEREAS, such conditions constitute an emergency as contemplated under Section 125 of Title 23, U. S. Code, as amended:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist within Wilkinson County, Mississippi, due to the loss of the bridge over Buffalo River; that the immediate reconstruction of this bridge will aid tremendously in relieving the distress in this area of the State of Mississippi; and that the Secretary of the Department of Transportation of the United States is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.

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 on this the 10th day of March, A. D., 1971.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the United States of America is, today, the richest, most prosperous nation on the face of the earth. Its citizens have the highest standard of living of any people in the world. The liberty and freedom we enjoy is made possible only through the rule of law. Our forefathers for seven generations realized this important fact and through their perseverance and love of country bequeathed this system of self-government to us for our well being; and

WHEREAS, our nation today is faced perhaps with its greatest challenge: a burgeoning population, restless youth impatient for fulfillment of our nation's ideals, demands for greater civil rights, and the sapping of our country's moral strength through increased crime, drug abuse and poverty; and

WHEREAS, all of these challenges can be faced and overcome for the benefit of all. Their solution must come through adherence to the rule of law. Without law, and use of legal processes, none of these problems can be satisfactorily met. A people without law is a nation without individual freedom or liberty; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, and the President by official proclamation, have designated Saturday, May first, as Law Day USA in recognition and appreciation of our legal heritage. This fourteenth annual observance of Law Days offers every citizen a timely opportunity to reflect on the rule of law and its importance in our daily lives. It also gives us the chance to demonstrate by word and action responsible citizenship by recognizing our duty to uphold the law, obey rulings of the courts, assist law enforcement officers in performing their responsibilities, to give testimony in court if called, to resolve grievances through law, and to respect the rights of others; and

WHEREAS, the theme for the 1971 observance of Law Day USA on May first is: "Channel Change Through Law and Reason":

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate Saturday, May 1, 1971, as LAW DAY USA and call upon all citizens to join in its observance through appropriate ceremonies, and programs and educational activities. I especially urge the schools, churches, the courts, civic and service clubs, business organizations, and the media of public information to participate.

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 tenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Circle K International, a college service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International, is observing the week of March 7 through March 13, 1971, as Circle K Week; and

WHEREAS, Circle K International is comprised of young men from the University of Mississippi, Delta State College, Mississippi State University, Mississippi College, Millsaps College, Belhaven College, Hinds Junior College, Meridian Junior College, the University of Southern Mississippi, William Carey College, Perkinston Junior College, Jefferson Davis Junior College and Copiah-Lincoln Junior College; and

WHEREAS, the young men of Circle K are part of an international organization dedicated to serving with purpose their God, their country, their state and their fellow man, seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; and

WHEREAS, they promote the adoption of higher social, business and professional standards and a more concerned and serviceable citizenship; and

WHEREAS, through their purposeful service and responsible leadership they have helped to build better communities where righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will are more than just words -- where they become goals for living:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period from March 7 through March 13, 1971, as

CIRCLE K WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 eighth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

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Governor

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, of all the practical endeavors essayed by man few are worthy of more serious attention and dedicated effort than nutritional sustenance. Good health flows in abundance from the assimilation of nutritious food; and such food, although it prevails in nature, is available in modern life only through careful plan and deliberate design. In these days, the manifold benefits of a balanced diet are to no greater degree a natural and automatic acquisition than is the ability to soar aloft by no other means than our sinew and bone. Wholesome food is available to most of our society, but too often is obscured and overwhelmed by a proliferation of false notions, cunning banners and the lassitude of a sometime guillotine and uncaring consumer. We should each remember that food is but a natural medicine which, perhaps fortunately, differs only in taste, form and texture from the skillfully contrived and wonderfully effective offerings of pharmaceutical science. Aside from breathing and drinking, there is no human function which is so universally common and so universally imperative as that of eating. Vast segments of our economy pivot, directly or indirectly, on mankind’s relentless requirements to assuage hunger. And, yet, in spite of this massive and necessary preoccupation with foodstuffs, there is a comparative paucity of artisans skilled in the demanding craft of culinary expertise. Under this regrettable circumstance, men of diverse geographical abode restlessly pursue a chimera of gastronomical pleasure, ever hopeful that their trencherman’s dream will become a reality; and

WHEREAS, within the armed forces of our land, for decades past song and fable have perpetuated a plaintive lamentation of mealtime woe and dark miseries associated with memories of mess kits on the battlefront; however, as our fighting men have taken ever longer strides in the fields of electronics and aeronautical progress, so too have they kept pace in their remarkable dexterity with oven, grill, skillet and boiling cauldron. Not only have techniques of kitchen and menu been transformed and refined, but also the concept, philosophy, and attitude have altered dramatically. Now rivalry between units to prove superiority in food preparation and serving is just as heated and intense as the rivalry to prove superiority in combat flying skills or the launching of guided missiles. The combatants in this unique battle of the military kitchen have been locked in struggle on our very doorstep. One of them within the extensive realm of Air Training Command has emerged triumphant and has been signally identified through presentation of the Outstanding Food Service Award. That proud victor is the Keesler Technical Training Center, a dynamic Air Force Base performing its vital role under the forceful aegis of inspired leadership. The base, adjacent to our progressive coastal communities of Jackson, Hancock, and Harrison counties, has worked for many years in harmonious relationship with the many fine citizens of our State’s southern counties. The attainments of Keesler Air Force Base, in this instance and many others, result from a smooth blend of military and civilian cooperation which is to the ultimate benefit of our Air Force, our State and our Country.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, and in recognition of the Keesler Technical Training Center's distinguished achievement in winning the Air Training Command's Outstanding Food Service Award for 1971, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, the tenth day of March of this year, as

MILITARY FOOD SERVICE DAY

and I urge everyone to observe this day as an example of the professional excellence of duty performance possible through the combined efforts of dedicated civilian and military citizenry.

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, on this March 9, A. D., 1971.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, early in 1942, at a time when the future security and life of our Nation were in critical danger, the Civil Engineer Corps officers organized the Construction Battalions to provide the Navy with uniformed construction forces. Officially designated and popularly known as SEABEES, they have established themselves firmly with the military establishment as the "Can Do" outfit; and

WHEREAS, throughout the long months of World War II nearly a quarter of a million SEABEES worked night and day to provide roadways, airstrips, ports and shore installations which enabled the armed might of our Nation and its allies to prevail over the tremendous force of our enemies. In the Korean action as well, SEABEES were actively engaged in stemming the tide of Communist aggression in that part of the world. SEABEES have earned the gratitude of people in less developed nations for assistance given in Chile, Costa Rica, Central African Republic, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Ecuador and Thailand. The SEABEES have also proven their worth in constructing and operating the "Deep-freeze" stations in Antarctica and other stations around the world. Today, in Vietnam, SEABEES build by day and guard their camp perimeters at night; and

WHEREAS, wherever the interests of our nation require, the knowledge and ability of the Navy's Civil Engineer Corps officers and SEABEES are being used for the protection of the American people. Backing up those on full time active duty is a strong and vitally energetic Naval SEABEE and Civil Engineer Corps Officer Reserve trained and ready for service to our country at any time the need arises; and

WHEREAS, on this the twenty-ninth anniversary of the formation of the SEABEES, it is fitting that we pay tribute to the gallantry and accomplishments of the Navy SEABEES:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 5, 1971, as

SEABEE DAY

in Mississippi, and call the attention of our citizens to the proud record of the SEABEES and extend best wishes of all Mississippians for a most happy birthday to all active, reserve and veteran SEABEES.

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 first day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the date of March 25, 1821, is the date on which the people of Greece began their war of Independence against Turkish rule; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 1971, the people of Greece will celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Greek Independence; and

WHEREAS, the people of Greece and the people of the United States have always maintained the closest international friendship, and were allies in two World Wars:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do extend all good wishes to the people of Greece on this, their 150th Anniversary of Independence from foreign rule, and invite all citizens of the State of Mississippi to celebrate with the people of Greece their Anniversary of Independence.

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 twenty-second day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, professional hairdressers and cosmetologists of our great State have generously given of their talents and time to enhance the beauty of the women of our State, and to uphold the highest standards of beauty care; and

WHEREAS, the week of February 14 - 20, 1971, will be observed as the 21st Annual National Beauty Salon Week by the National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association to salute the contributions of the profession of Cosmetology; and

WHEREAS, more than 60,000 members of this national professional association are conducting public service programs in our great State, and throughout the Nation, to bring professional beauty care to less fortunate women confined to hospitals, homes for the aged and other institutions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 14 - 20, 1971, as

NATIONAL BEAUTY SALON WEEK

and commend it to the attention of all citizens as a week in which to give special recognition to the cosmetologists of our State for their civic contributions, and as a time for all of us to seek to beautify our State with the same zeal that is shown by the cosmetologists of our State.

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 twelfth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, severe disaster caused by tornadoes which struck the State of Mississippi on February 21, 1971, has brought distress and suffering, loss of life and property to the people of our State; and

WHEREAS, the American National Red Cross is the recognized disaster relief agency and has demonstrated its ability to meet the needs of families and individuals who are victims of disaster; and

WHEREAS, the American National Red Cross has an experienced staff capable of seeing that relief is supplied on the basis of need to all disaster-affected persons:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor of Mississippi, do hereby designate the American National Red Cross as the official disaster relief agency to deal with the problems of individuals and families affected by the severe tornado disaster; and

I urge that all citizens and agencies, both public and private, within the State of Mississippi, give the Red Cross their full support and cooperation; and

I further urge that all individuals, groups and organizations, wherever located, desiring to make contributions for the relief of disaster victims send their contributions to their local Red Cross Chapters. All such donations will be used by the Red Cross in the humane task of caring for the needs of the people who have suffered loss in the disaster and who are unable to rehabilitate themselves without assistance.

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, on this the 22nd day of February, A. D., 1971.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS,
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Claiborne County, Mississippi, was subjected to extremely high and unusual rainfall during October 1970, which is verified by the report of the U. S. Weather Bureau for the southwest Mississippi area (being 150% above normal during said month of October), said County having received over thirteen inches of rainfall during two periods of time only a few days apart; and

WHEREAS, Claiborne County, Mississippi, is located on the hill side of the Mississippi River and is blessed with many streams of fast run-off with many bridges to maintain for the development, growth, and economy of said County; and

WHEREAS, said rains caused heavy damage to many bridges and roads and a wash-out of the Widow's Creek Bridge on the Ferry Road southwest of Port Gibson, Mississippi (on Federal Aid Secondary Route 803), resulting in the closing of this road for approximately three months, which is causing much difficulty in maintaining and detouring traffic, said detour of traffic being through the congested area of Alcorn College; and

WHEREAS, the economy of Claiborne County, Port Gibson, Mississippi, and the ferry operations have been seriously damaged by closing of this road, such as school and mail routes, timber sales, tourist attractions, etc.; and

WHEREAS, damage within this area has been disastrous to the public highways of Mississippi, resulting in the necessity for immediate repair or reconstruction of highways and bridges on the Federal-aid Highway Systems and such conditions constitute an emergency as contemplated under Sections 120 and 125 of Title 23, U. S. Code, as amended; and it appearing that Claiborne County, Mississippi, is without sufficient revenues or funds with which to rebuild such highways and bridges;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist within Claiborne County, Mississippi, as a result of the extremely high and unusual rainfall during October 1970 within said area, and consequent damage to highways and bridges on the Federal-aid Highway Systems; and that the immediate repair and reconstruction of such damaged and destroyed highways and bridges are vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of Claiborne County, Mississippi, and that the Director of Public Roads of the United States is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.

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, on this the 16th day of February, A. D. 1971.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, crime is a growing social problem and of deep concern to the entire state; and

WHEREAS, only a fully alerted citizenry, cognizant of the terrible toll in money, property, and pain which lawlessness exacts, can effectively respond to this awesome challenge; and

WHEREAS, Exchange Clubs throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, and particularly the Exchange Clubs of Downtown Jackson, Leavell Woods, North Jackson, Northwoods, and Oak Forest, guided by The National Exchange Club, have for more than two decades exposed the true and terrible nature of crime to our people and, through a variety of programs, have valiantly sought to limit its spread; and

WHEREAS, again this year Exchange Clubs, by exhorting every citizen to "Crunch Crime...Before It Crunches You!", are again launching a coordinated campaign to rally public support for and participation in the necessary battle against those persons who perpetrate crime:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate February 7 through 13, 1971, as

NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK

in Mississippi, and appeal to all citizens to do their part to Crunch Crime by renewing their commitment to uphold the laws of our land and by pledging anew their complete cooperation and support of law enforcement efforts in our state.

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 twenty-ninth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the need is great for young people to know the facts about the effect of beverage alcohol and narcotics upon human beings; and

WHEREAS, this is a matter of great importance and should command the attention of all whose activities put them in contact with youth; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Youth Temperance Education Week is to teach the highest Christian ideals of complete living, promote respect for law and combat juvenile delinquency, aid in narcotic education, and teach the virtues of temperance in all things; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of our citizens to safeguard the most important asset of our State - our Youth:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 13-24, 1971, as YOUTH TEMPERANCE EDUCATION WEEK in Mississippi, and urge our citizens to give special attention during this week to promotion of temperance among our young people as a means of health, happiness and spiritual enrichment.

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 fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Governor

By the Secretary of State:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Mississippi is blessed with abundant forest resources which contribute to a better way of life by providing jobs and income, tax revenues, wood products, recreational benefits, and which provide food and habitat for wildlife, control soil erosion, collect and hold the rain for future use and provide for a better environment in which to live; and

WHEREAS, it is the God-given responsibility of everyone to protect this valuable resource so that our citizens of today and future generations will also receive the multiple benefits of these forests; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi suffers losses from wildfire at an average rate of more than three million dollars annually due to human carelessness or maliciousness in the use of fire in the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, the month of March is historically one of the most destructive months for wildfires in Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 1971, as

FOREST FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

in Mississippi; and, further, I do hereby urge that all Mississippians and visitors to our state join me in a grand effort to reduce greatly the needless waste of this, our most valuable renewable natural resource, not only for the month of March, but forevermore.

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 second day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The United Service Organizations, the USO, a dedicated civilian organization, was founded thirty years ago, in 1941, to provide a "home away from home" for American servicemen and women; and

WHEREAS, today the initials - USO - are known throughout the world, millions of us either serving the USO or having been served by this organization; and

WHEREAS, this service has been freely given in this country and overseas to the citizens of Mississippi, who are in uniform away from home; and

WHEREAS, this unselfish service by the USO and its inspiring programs have helped to sustain the morale of generations of young Americans in uniform, doing for the spirit what our military nurses and doctors do for the physical well-being of our military youth:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Thursday, February 4, 1971, as USO DAY IN MISSISSIPPI

and I urge all of the citizens of this state to assist in every way its observance.

By so doing we demonstrate our devotion to the welfare, and our abiding concern, for the well-being of young men and women of Mississippi in military service who are aided by USO on our behalf wherever they are dutifully serving this nation, across the United States and throughout the world.

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 fourth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Progress in medical science has conferred benefits upon citizens of our State with advances in surgery, anesthesia, medicine, and therapeutics; and

WHEREAS, Many of these benefits are possible only when human blood is available in sufficient quantity for transfusion for the proper care and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, Much progress has been achieved in our State in establishing and developing blood banks and blood services to assure the availability of this life-saving essential aspect of modern medical care; and

WHEREAS, There is great and continuing need for blood donors and for programs of blood assurance to the end that no citizen in medical need will want for this service:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim and set aside the month of January, 1971, as

BLOOD DONOR MONTH

and I do call upon every citizen of Mississippi to consider the urgent need for sufficient supplies of human blood for himself and his fellow citizens, and I do call upon mayors of all municipalities, elements of State and County government, and all officials in positions of public authority to carry forward this message in the interest of the better health of all Mississippians.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed on this the first day of January, A.D., 1971.

DONE in the City of Jackson, at the Capitol.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association of Medical Assistants will hold its Fifth Annual Convention April 23-25, 1971, at Tupelo, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Association membership consists of approximately 250 medical secretaries, medical assistants, nurses and laboratory and X-ray technicians; and

WHEREAS, this group of dedicated women seeks constantly to provide greater assistance to physicians and patients through continued training and study:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19-25, 1971, as MEDICAL ASSISTANTS' WEEK

in Mississippi, and express the hope that their convention will be productive.

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 twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The National Foundation-March of Dimes has embarked upon a campaign to guarantee to every newborn American child a birthright of good health; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation seeks to reach this praiseworthy goal through a nationwide program of research and treatment of birth defects; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the generosity of millions of Americans, more than 100 March of Dimes Birth Defects Centers have been established for research into the prevention and treatment of congenital diseases; and

WHEREAS, significant progress has been made in both prevention and treatment of these dread maladies; and

WHEREAS, much still remains to be done if some 250,000 newborns annually are to be spared the scourge of birth defects; and

WHEREAS, public support is vital to this great national public health endeavor carried out by The National Foundation-March of Dimes:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim JANUARY 1971 as MARC OF DIMES MONTH, confident that the citizens of Mississippi will join me in generous support of this effort to benefit the coming generation of Americans.

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, on this the 29th day of December, A. D., 1970.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, more than 4,000,000 Americans suffer from the ancient and poorly understood disorder known as epilepsy; and

WHEREAS, most persons so afflicted could lead normal and productive lives were it not for the misunderstandings that surround this disorder; and

WHEREAS, the Epilepsy Foundation of America and its chapter in Mississippi, known as the Mississippi Council on Epilepsy, have dedicated themselves to spreading the light of understanding across our country and throughout our State; and

WHEREAS, as a part of this effort, the Epilepsy Foundation of America has chosen a fine young Mississippian, five year old Zachery Williams, from among many outstanding candidates from every part of the nation to represent the cause of public education about epilepsy and to pass the Candle of Understanding on to others as a symbol of this struggle for enlightenment; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, December 28, Zachery will depart on his journey of understanding and will participate in the Orange Bowl Parade as a representative of this Cause and his State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, December 22, 1970, as

CANDLE OF UNDERSTANDING DAY

and I urge all of the citizens of Mississippi to become acquainted with the facts about epilepsy to encourage a more enlightened attitude toward the disorder, and to wish Zachery well as he departs on his mission.

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 twenty-second day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

John B. Williams
Governor

By the Governor:

Jabez L. Labran
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Friday, December 25, 1970, CHRISTMAS DAY, and Friday, January 1, 1971, NEW YEAR'S DAY, have been designated as legal holidays in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many State employees who live in other sections of the State will want to visit their homes and relatives during the Christmas Holidays, and it has been customary heretofore to allow a sufficient number of days for such purpose:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi to close their respective offices in observance of the CHRISTMAS SEASON, as follows:

From 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, December 23 through Friday, December 25, 1970; and Thursday, December 31, Through Friday, January 1, 1971.

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 City of Jackson on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1970.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 5946, Mississippi Code of 1942, and amendments thereto, THANKSGIVING DAY is declared a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many state employees will want to visit their homes on THANKSGIVING, living quite a distance from Jackson, and in order that they may visit their families in other sections of the State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi, in the discretion of the executive head of the department or agency, to close their respective offices on Thursday, November 26, 1970, THANKSGIVING DAY, and on Friday, November 27, 1970, in further observance of the THANKSGIVING SEASON.

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 sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Pride of Mississippi Marching Band was organized in the spring of 1920 as a twenty-piece brass band that played its first concert at a Teachers Association Convention in Meridian in 1923; and

WHEREAS, the Band traveled as the official band with the "Know Mississippi Better" train in 1926; and

WHEREAS, the Band marched in the inaugural parade of F.D.R. and performed at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933; and

WHEREAS, in 1955, the Pride began its yearly association with the Senior Bowl Classic in Mobile, Alabama, and has performed as the official band since; and

WHEREAS, the Pride has performed at Sugar Bowls, Blue and Gray Game, and professional football games, all of which are nationally televised; and

WHEREAS, one year the Pride of Mississippi Marching Band was on national television (NBC, CBS, ABC) five times, and is now known as the nation's most nationally televised band in the land with some 35 appearances; and

WHEREAS, the Band is admired as a precision, quality organization by band directors and band lovers everywhere in the nation, and has earned untold goodwill for the University of Southern Mississippi and, of course, for the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of the celebration of the Band's 50th Anniversary, do hereby proclaim November 14, 1970, as

PRIDE OF MISSISSIPPI MARCHING BAND DAY

in Mississippi, and wish the Band every success in the future.

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 tenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the youth of today as the custodians of tomorrow deserve helping hands from adults to enable them to reach maturity as constructive, responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, many of their accomplishments toward this goal should have recognition and encouragement from their elders; and

WHEREAS, Optimist International has developed a program of annual recognition known as YOUTH APPRECIATION WEEK, to be observed this year between November 9 and November 15 inclusive; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi are joining forces with the Optimist Clubs in this state and throughout the United States and Canada to let our young people know how much we appreciate and value their contributions to the betterment of our state and of the land we live in:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim November 9 - 15, 1970, as YOUTH APPRECIATION WEEK in Mississippi. Let us all, by word, deed and example, convey to our alert and eager understudies the gratitude that we feel for their responsible acts as they move to assume their roles as leaders and citizens in the days ahead.

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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, more than 1,600,000 people in the United States have diabetes and are not aware of their condition; and

WHEREAS, approximately sixteen thousand people in Mississippi have diabetes and do not know it; and

WHEREAS, early detection of diabetes by a simple, quick test, followed by competent medical care, usually can enable such people to continue to lead active, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, the Diabetes Association of Mississippi, Inc., together with the American Diabetes Association will soon renew its annual Diabetes Detection Drive to protect citizens by urging them to be tested for diabetes:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of November 15 through November 21 as

DIABETES WEEK

in Mississippi and urge all my fellow citizens to have themselves and their families tested for diabetes.

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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, available information indicates the probability that between 350 and 400 American servicemen are prisoners of North Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, North Vietnam leaders have been repeatedly requested to provide a list of the names of American prisoners and to give assurance that these men are being treated in a humane manner, but such request has been denied; and

WHEREAS, this condition has existed for some as long as five years; and

WHEREAS, North Vietnam, which endorsed the Geneva Convention in 1957, has declined to release the names of prisoners held, to assure that all prisoners receive proper medical care and adequate food, to provide frequent exchange of mail between prisoners and their families and to release prisoners who are sick or wounded:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim November 15, 1970, as

AMERICAN PRISONERS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA DAY

in Mississippi, as a day of prayer and concern for the missing in action and prisoners of war, to call to the attention of all Mississippi citizens the plight of these American servicemen.

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 twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Soil Conservation Society of America is dedicated to the development and advancement of the science and art of good land use and management – and the promotion of the conservation of soil, water and related renewable natural resources, including without limitation, trees, grass, fish, wildlife, and all forms of beneficial plant and animal life, and for these purposes to employ education of the people and other appropriate means, to the end that mankind may have the use and enjoyment of these resources forever; and

WHEREAS, the Soil Conservation Society of America is an international organization of more than 13,000 men and women providing leadership to the conservation programs of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Chapter is playing an active leadership role in our state; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Mississippi have a vital interest in improving the environment through the adoption of conservation programs in keeping with the objectives of the Soil Conservation Society of America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in order to call attention to the 25th anniversary of this great educational and scientific conservation organization, and to the importance of their work, do hereby publicly commend the Soil Conservation Society of America and respectfully urge all organizations and citizens of our state to be mindful of their leadership in order that we may make even greater progress and place more emphasis on the conservation of our renewable natural resources.

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 twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the eleventh day of November has been designated as Veterans Day and has been declared a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the men and women who served in the uniform of our country have made a major contribution not only to the preservation of America’s freedom but also toward the attainment and preservation of freedom throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the gallant Americans serving in today’s armed forces continue to demonstrate the unselfish willingness of our Nation to meet the challenge of those forces wishing to defeat through armed conflict the cause of individual determination; and

WHEREAS, the Nation and the free world are eternally grateful for the contributions of American veterans to the advancement of the cause of an honorable world peace:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby call upon all citizens to observe Wednesday, November 11, 1970, as VETERANS DAY and ask that the day be observed with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have borne the burden in defense of our freedom.

I further call upon all citizens and business firms to mark this day with the proud display of the flag of the United States as a reaffirmation of our national unity, a re dedication of our support to our Nation in her defense of the cause of freedom, and, especially, our recognition and appreciation of our newest generation of veterans whose willingness to serve the national purpose is in the finest tradition of our great Nation.

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 twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Native Country Music of America is a reflection of the history, folkways and musical traditions of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation of Country Music throughout the land is increasing through the efforts of the many segments of the music and entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, the many persons and business enterprises devoting their time and efforts to the better understanding and appreciation of Country Music constitute an important segment of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, many Mississippi entertainers and representatives of Country Music and allied fields will actively participate in a special observance of the progress and growth of Country Music during the month of October, 1970:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1970, as COUNTRY MUSIC MONTH in Mississippi and call upon our citizens to observe the month of October with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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 fifth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, October 23rd is recognized nationally as United States' Day; and

WHEREAS, all patriotic American citizens rejoice in that their rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are protected and guaranteed by our United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, we are proud and thankful for our American Heritage; and

WHEREAS, it is customary for all Americans to fly the Flag in honor of our living Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 23, 1970, as UNITED STATES' DAY in Mississippi, and urge all patriotic citizens to fly their flag of the United States of America in appreciation of our heritage.

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 twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the public schools of the State of Mississippi face a grave crisis as a result of Federal Court-ordered forced assignment of students to schools not of their choosing, the forced assignment of teachers to schools not of their choosing, and the compulsory bussing of students against their will; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of these Federal Court orders has resulted in great disruption and damage to the public school system of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, quality public education can best be achieved in an atmosphere and environment of the neighborhood to which children are accustomed and in schools subject to control of local school boards; and

WHEREAS, there is no basis in the American Constitution or the Constitution of the State of Mississippi for denying parents the right to exercise freedom of choice in the selection of the public schools their children may attend; and

WHEREAS, such denial is an unwarranted infringement upon the liberties of our people; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best educational interest of the children of Mississippi that our citizens be permitted to exercise freedom of choice in selecting schools for their children:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the Great State of Mississippi, acting pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim October 5 through October 10, 1970, as

FREEDOM OF CHOICE WEEK IN MISSISSIPPI.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Jackson on this the 2nd day of October, A.D., 1970.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
Governor

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the abilities to speak effectively, listen carefully, and think critically are among the most valuable talents a person can develop; and
WHEREAS, the development of leadership abilities in men is of great value to our democratic society and the free enterprise system; and
WHEREAS, Toastmasters International, a non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization, is dedicated to providing the opportunity for developing these talents; and
WHEREAS, twelve Toastmasters clubs in this State make important contributions to the public good through their participation in community service and charitable programs;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1970, as TOASTMASTERS MONTH in Mississippi.

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 eighth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Men's Garden Clubs of America is the only national men's organization dedicated to service through gardening and to the improvement of our environment through gardening; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Garden Clubs of America and its affiliated clubs are a non-profit, scientific and educational organization devoted to increasing the beauty of their surroundings; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Garden Club of Mississippi maintains an affiliation with the National office of the Men's Garden Clubs of America, and assists in the development of parks, street parkways, public plots, institutional grounds and youth gardening projects; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Garden Club of Mississippi will join the national organization to observe the 30th anniversary of the founding of Men's Garden Clubs in America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of September 20 through 26, 1970, as

MEN'S GARDEN CLUB WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 eighth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

John Bell Williams
Governor
WHEREAS, September 17, 1970, marks the one hundred and eighty-third anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 1787; and

WHEREAS, our constitutional form of government has withstood the test of time, and the threats of conspiracy, and yet stands constantly young and vigorous; and

WHEREAS, in this world of many changes -- some of which endanger the rights of free men -- it is imperative that all our citizens be aware of the acts and events that lead to the adoption of the Constitution and of the adversities that have subsequently proved its durability, thereby creating a better understanding and appreciation of the basic principles upon which this Nation was founded and by which it lives:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September 17, 1970, as

CITIZENSHIP DAY

and I urge State, county and local officials, as well as all religious, civic, educational and other organizations to hold appropriate ceremonies on that day to inspire all of our citizens to pledge themselves anew to the service of their country and to the support and defense of the Constitution.

I also designate the week beginning September 17, and ending September 23, 1970, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and I urge the people of Mississippi to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies and activities in their schools, churches and other suitable places to the end that our citizens may have a better understanding of the Constitution and of the rights and responsibilities of United States Citizenship.

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 twenty-sixth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Society for the Prevention of Blindness has instituted a vigorous statewide campaign for September as Sight-Saving Month; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Society is an affiliate of the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, founded in 1908, the oldest voluntary health agency nationally engaged in the prevention of blindness through a comprehensive program of community services, public and professional education, and research; and

WHEREAS, in its 62nd year of saving sight, the National Society emphasizes over and over that half of all blindness, due to disease, accident, neglect or ignorance, is preventable; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for blindness, and an estimated 35,000 men, women and children in the United States will become blind before another year passes; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the September Sight-Saving Month campaign is to alert the citizens of the State to the many causes of blindness before they strike, with emphasis on the fact that early detection and treatment can correct most vision problems:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September, 1970, as

SIGHT-SAVING MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all residents of the State to participate in and support the campaign.

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 twenty-fourth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

I. B. Williams

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The Mississippi State Society, Children of the American Revolution, cooperating with the National Society, C.A.R., is sponsoring October 12 to 19, 1970, as "Patriotic Education Week"; and

WHEREAS, The National Society, Children of the American Revolution, has received a Freedom's Foundation Award for several years, for its efforts throughout the Nation during Patriotic Education Week to stimulate Patriotism; and

WHEREAS, The National C.A.R. Theme for the year is "Spirit of '76 - Take Pride in America", and the Patriotic Education program for the year is directed in two study-action phases: 1) "Take Pride in America" and 2) "Government is People"; and

WHEREAS, The need for citizens who know and appreciate their American Heritage and the struggles the Past Generations have made to build our American Way of Life, has never been greater so that future generations may also enjoy Liberties in a Free America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12 to 19, 1970, as

Patriotic Education Week

and urge my fellow Mississippians to join in the observance by reflecting upon the Legacy of Liberty which ALL Americans enjoy, and the responsible citizenship needed to Perpetuate this truly Great American Heritage.

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 twenty-fourth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the well-being of our citizens depends on the health of our economy; and

WHEREAS, the principle of freedom of enterprise is the basis of our economy and provides the chief impetus for its growth and stability; and

WHEREAS, a better understanding of freedom of enterprise by the people of Mississippi would preserve and strengthen our free economy:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of August 23 - August 29, 1970, as FREEDOM OF ENTERPRISE WEEK

and urge our citizens to acquaint themselves with the principles of freedom of enterprise, and to avail themselves of the special opportunities provided during this observance by Kiwanis clubs in their communities.

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 twenty-first day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, law enforcement is the cornerstone of a free society; and

WHEREAS, our American system demands that all levels of government be responsible for law enforcement on each respective level; and

WHEREAS, all levels of government must necessarily cooperate with each other to combat the ever-increasing menace of crime:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby issue this Proclamation, and do hereby proclaim the week of August 24 through August 29, 1970, as

LAW ENFORCEMENT UNITY WEEK

and urge the citizens of Mississippi to participate in this activity and to view the various law enforcement exhibits on display at the Jackson Mall Shopping Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

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 twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]

Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, two gifted dreamers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, could hardly have visualized early this century that their invention would play a major role in shaping the fate of mankind; that aviation has been underscored by a dramatic series of epoch-making achievements; and that the key to peaceful aeronautical commerce probably can be traced directly to the development of air-mail service -- the first practical application of flight to economic and social progress; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Post Office, quick to recognize the need to facilitate air mail delivery, in August of 1920, created a network of fewer than two dozen airway radio stations. Air mail pilots received weather reports, and departure and arrival times, administrative messages from government radio operators, who relayed aviation data across the nation; and

WHEREAS, this tiny network has grown to a sophisticated communications system with instant, accurate access to whatever information any pilot needs to know; and

WHEREAS, today, these facilities function as Flight Service Stations within the framework of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; and, particularly serving the private pilot, Flight Service Specialists provide airmen with scientific weather data, information on navigational aids and airports and offer a wide range of other aeronautical services; and, through the modern communications equipment available to them, Flight Service Specialists keep pilots in immediate touch with all conditions affecting their flights; and, if necessary, can usually locate pilots, lost or otherwise in distress, and guide them safely home; and

WHEREAS, the Flight Service Station also functions as the civilian partner with all military aviation operating within the continental limits of the United States and serves as the connector between FAA's Air Route Traffic Control Centers and the many military flights that take place daily; and

WHEREAS, from an ambitious beginning 50 years ago, the system now includes 384 separate Flight Service Stations and nine international facilities; and four of the original stations are still in continuous operation in Washington, D. C.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Rock Springs, Wyoming; and Elko, Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the Flight Service Station was established on August 20, 1920; and, after 50 years of serving the public and the aviation community, the Flight Service System and the dedicated personnel who operate it should be recognized:
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare the week beginning August 16, 1970, as

FLIGHT SERVICES WEEK

in Mississippi, and I urge all local officials and citizens in the State of Mississippi to give thought to the importance of aviation, particularly Flight Service, in our daily lives and in our local economy and our nation's progress in Transportation, and to participate in such appropriate activities being arranged in connection therewith.

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 fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the weather services of the Nation began officially on February 9, 1870, when President Ulysses S. Grant promulgated a Joint Resolution of Congress directing the making of weather observations and the publication of approaching storms; and

WHEREAS, during the century now drawing to a close, the atmospheric sciences have undergone dramatic growth, leading to the provision of weather services which have been of inestimable value to the people of Mississippi in terms of protection against natural hazards, assistance to the economy and increased public convenience; and

WHEREAS, this has developed through a partnership of science, technology and administration made possible by dedicated and talented men and women, civilian and military, who have spared no effort to serve the people of our State and Nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim 1970 as

U. S. WEATHER SERVICES YEAR

in the State of Mississippi; and I urge public and private institutions and our people throughout the State to take due notice of this occasion, and to give appropriate recognition to the services which have brought such protection and benefits to all of us.

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 sixteenth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, July 21, 1970, is the fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, today the Veterans Administration is the third largest federal agency, operating a total of 186 hospitals and administering a nationwide insurance program; in addition, it has responsibility for a wide range of pension, compensation, rehabilitation and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans Administration performs a vital service for our fellow citizens who served their country with honor:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the period of July 19 through 25, 1970, as

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION ANNIVERSARY WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 eighth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the tolling of the Liberty Bell at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the 4th day of July, 1776, proclaimed the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this historic document marked the birth of our country as a free and independent nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the anniversary of this great event should be appropriately observed in each year at the same moment throughout the United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the hour of 1 o'clock, Central Daylight Saving Time, the Fourth day of July, 1970, for the time of observing the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence by the ringing of bells throughout the State of Mississippi; and I call upon civic and other community leaders to take appropriate steps to encourage public participation in this observance.

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 twenty-ninth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the American flag has been the traditional symbol of our determination to ensure the freedom and prosperity of our people; and,

WHEREAS, the flag represents the sacrifices of those Americans who gallantly struggled for the concept that man must be free; and,

WHEREAS, the flag has throughout the years given inspiration to our people from the days of the great American Revolution to the present hostilities in Southeast Asia; and,

WHEREAS, the flag represents the hopes and aspirations of the present generation and the generations yet to come; and,

WHEREAS, present-day radical groups and individuals in our country have shown their contempt for the basic concepts of the American way of life by defiling, desecrating, and destroying our flag;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, proclaim June 14, 1970, as

FLAG DAY

in the State of Mississippi so that Mississippians may display their American flags to show that we subscribe to and support the basic principles of our American Republic.

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 in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, milk is nature's most nearly perfect food and in its many delicious forms provides mankind with nutrients that help promote better health and greater happiness in people of all ages from infancy through the "golden years"; and

WHEREAS, dairying is the largest single segment of American agriculture, being responsible for more than one-fifth of the nation's farm income; and

WHEREAS, the dairy industry contributes in large measure to the economic welfare of large numbers of citizens in our state through employment in production, processing and distribution of milk and its products, and to additional thousands employed in related industries; and

WHEREAS, every man, woman and child benefits from the wealth and physical well-being which originate from the dairy industry and its products:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of the opportunities presented for constructive public service, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1970, as DAIRY MONTH

in Mississippi, and do urge civic and business associations to cooperate in this observance in public and private in order that we may enjoy improved health and increased prosperity.

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 twenty-sixth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The Salvation Army daily demonstrates its concerned compassion for those in need, regardless of race, creed, national origin or color; and

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army, through its religious and social service programs in our state, wages war against spiritual and material poverty, helping those afflicted to move forward to a better way of life; and

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army has contributed materially to rescue and recovery of Mississippians in times of natural disasters:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of May 11 - 17, 1970, as

SALVATION ARMY WEEK

in Mississippi, and do urge all citizens to join me in honoring the dedicated and compassionate service of The Salvation Army and its representatives in Mississippi.

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 eighth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Twenty-second Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo will be held in the City of Gulfport on July 2-5, 1970, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, this great sporting event has proved to be a recreational attraction of national international prominence; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi are desirous of becoming better acquainted with the people of other states of our nation and our good neighbors in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, this giant sport fishing event is provided for the recreation and pleasure of our citizens and those of the United States and neighboring Latin American Republics; and

WHEREAS, in the year 1964-65 the Legislature and the Governor of the sovereign State of Mississippi did by official act designate the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo as the Official Sport Fishing Classic for the State of Mississippi, and by joint resolution granted this Giant Sport Fishing Classic a citation memorializing its activities as beneficial to the State of Mississippi as a tourist attraction and the furthering of Mississippi's natural sport fishing resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the days of July 2, 3, 4 and 5, 1970, as

MISSISSIPPI DEEP SEA FISHING RODEO DAYS

and do hereby urge all Mississippians and Americans who are interested in clean, wholesome and invigorating sports, particularly the sport of fishing, to come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast for this event; and I do hereby request as many of our people as possible to participate.

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 sixth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Country Music is the music of America; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Rodgers, a native Mississippian, having been born in Meridian, Mississippi, is considered the creator of Country Music; and

WHEREAS, Country Music has been of great benefit to our country, having brought us much joy and entertainment over the years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, take official recognition of the birth date of this great Mississippian, Jimmie Rodgers, and proclaim May 24, 1970, as

JIMMIE RODGERS DAY

in the State of Mississippi so that our citizens may participate formally in the observance and celebration of the birth of this great singer and his contributions to Country Music.

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 eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Mississippi women are a vital segment of the insurance industry, and they deserve commendation and recognition for their outstanding accomplishments and contributions in this truly professional field; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi insurance women are not only effective locally and statewide in the related fields such as Fire Prevention, Safety and Crime Prevention, but also effective nationally; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi insurance women actively participate as members of the National Association of Insurance Women (International);

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 17, 1970, through May 23, 1970, as

NATIONAL INSURANCE WOMEN'S WEEK
IN MISSISSIPPI

and I urge our citizens to do honor to these women who are performing such important services throughout the insurance industry.

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, on this April 29, A. D., 1970.

[Signature]
JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the peace officers duly appointed by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for Jackson State College, and the city officials of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite mobs, riots, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them on the campus and grounds and in the buildings of Jackson State College, in the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and the city officials of Jackson, Mississippi, anticipating the same activities within the City of Jackson, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the peace officers for said Jackson State College and the city officials of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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, on this the 13th day of May, A.D., 1970.

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GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, throughout American history, the Merchant Marine has been indispensable to our security and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, today, our merchant fleet binds us in peaceful commerce with the increasingly interdependent nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, merchant ships carry the essentials of life to millions in need and have transported more than 20 million tons of food, weapons and supplies to our fighting men in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, to remind Americans of the important role which the merchant marine plays in our national life, the Congress in 1933 designated the anniversary of the first transatlantic voyage by a steamship, the SS Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually in observance of that day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 22, 1970, as

MARITIME DAY

in Mississippi, and do hereby urge the people of the State of Mississippi to honor our American Merchant Marine on May 22, 1970, by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the period of May 3 through 10, 1970, will mark the 47th annual observance of National Music Week; and

WHEREAS, music is a vital part of the culture of every civilized nation; and the people of the United States are proving themselves to be a great music-producing and music-loving nation; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon all of us to join together to advance the cause of music as an art and harmonious force, and to extend the radius of its influence among nations, groups, and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the pursuit of music, whether it be through study, composing, listening, performing, or participation, gives rich experiences in human life; and

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Music Clubs through National Music Week provides an opportunity for the organized musical forces of the country, as well as religious and educational and civic groups, to join music lovers in emphasizing the joys and pleasures to be gained from making music:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 3 through 10, 1970, to be NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK in Mississippi, and urge the citizens in every community to participate in making music; to foster a deeper appreciation for musical talent; and to encourage with interest and enthusiasm the music programs offered in special events arranged for this week.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, many residents of Mississippi, who have served their country loyally both in war and peace, continue to wear the uniform of the United States Armed Forces, as members of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the Reserve units of Mississippi are composed of Armed Forces Reservists who selflessly devote weekends and vacation time to training assemblies and keeping in a state of readiness for any call to active duty; and

WHEREAS, these Armed Forces Reservists serve in all areas of the life of this State with the same sense of responsibility and dedication with which they are serving the Nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April, 1970, as

RESERVE COMMUNITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of this State to pay tribute to their neighbors who are members of the Armed Forces Reserve.

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 eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, World Trade is an essential element in the economic growth of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi can contribute to the continuing expansion of international trade if our industries and businesses are ready and able to compete in international markets; and

WHEREAS, Mississippian are devoting attention to growth possibilities overseas through World Trade Missions under the sponsorship of the Mississippi Marketing Council in order to keep competitive in world markets:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 1970, as

WORLD TRADE WEEK

in Mississippi, and request that appropriate State and local officials cooperate in observing that week.

I urge that the citizens of Mississippi participate during World Trade Week in activities which will promote continuing awareness of the importance of world trade to our own economy and to our relations with other nations.

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 on this 12th day of May A. D. 1970.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Helen Rodgers
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, Fred W. Haise, Jr. is a distinguished native son of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Fred W. Haise, Jr., one of three Astronauts, exhibited skill, courage, valor and strength of character during the Apollo XIII Space Mission in which he so gallantly participated; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi are deeply proud of the heroic, brave and valiant deeds of Fred W. Haise, Jr., James A. Lovell, Jr., and Jack L. Swigert, Jr., and profoundly grateful for their safe return from their hazardous venture into space; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi join the wives, children and other loved ones in rejoicing over the safe return of these space explorers and proudly welcome home Mississippi's first Astronaut:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 9, 1970, as

FRED W. Haise, JR. DAY

in Mississippi in tribute to this outstanding Mississippian who has so distinguished himself and reflected great credit upon the State.

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 8th day of May, A. D., 1970.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the United States Women's Army Corps, established in 1942 by an Act of Congress, will celebrate its 28th Anniversary on May 14, 1970; and

WHEREAS, there is an established historical precedent, dating back to the Revolution, for women in the Nation's military service; and

WHEREAS, today the intensity and scope of international affairs requires the services of dedicated American women of all races, creeds and colors to reinforce our military manpower needs throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Women's Army Corps shares with the other branches of the Army and the other services in contributing highly specialized skills to the defense of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, members of the Women's Army Corps are today serving proudly in support of our male combat forces in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, there is an ever-increasing need for qualified young women to replace or augment those patriotic women who have served their country so faithfully during previous conflicts; and

WHEREAS, members of the Women's Army Corps, because of the high mental and physical qualifications and moral standards required of them, represent the finest segment of American womanhood:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of the status of the Women's Army Corps as a dedicated and essential component of the United States Army, and of its vital role in the defense of the United States, and its commitments to the Free World Nations, do hereby designate the entire week of May 10, 1970, through May 16, 1970, as

WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge our citizens to pay a well-deserved tribute to the Women's Army Corps and its noble objectives to promote the best interests and welfare of our community and our Nation.

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 eighth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

G U V E R N O R

Secretary of State
PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, John Bell Williams, Governor of Mississippi;

Stating the concern for the purity and life-giving qualities of our environment is of primary concern to every citizen of Mississippi and to all Americans; and

Acknowledging that the quality of our environment depends upon careful management of the air, water and land resources upon which our life depends; and

Asserting that ultimate responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of the people of Mississippi rests upon the State government; and

Knowing that ecological systems cross State boundaries; and

Believing that the discharge of this responsibility can be effectively enhanced by acting in concert and cooperation with our sister States and the National government; and

Understanding that the Southern Governors' Conference proposes to establish the Southern Regional Environmental Conservation Council, to be composed of members of the several States and charged to provide policy planning guidance of the member States concerning their proper role in implementing regional and national programs for preserving and improving the quality of our environment:

DO, THEREFORE, PROCLAIM, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Chief Executive of the State of Mississippi, that Mississippi shall participate in the SOUTHERN REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COUNCIL to be established by the Southern Governors' Conference.

J. Paul Fugate is hereby appointed as my personal delegate to represent the State of Mississippi on the Council and is charged to participate in its activities in furtherance of the interest and policies of the State of Mississippi.

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 7th day of May, A. D., 1970.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

J. Paul Fugate
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, transportation forms a vital and essential link in the commerce of the nation; and

WHEREAS, carriers by rail, motor truck, vessels and aircraft carriers, through the investment of enormous sums of private capital, have developed a national transportation system for the benefit of business superior to that in any other nation of the world; and

WHEREAS, the transportation performed by rail, motor truck, vessel and aircraft carriers has been a primary factor in the growth and development of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 10 - 16, 1970, as

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 sixth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, participation in sports and athletic competition is one of the most beneficial activities for mentally retarded children; and

WHEREAS, The Special Olympics program has been established to give the mentally retarded a chance to develop their skills, experience success and grow both physically and mentally through an organized program of physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is participating in the Special Olympics and making available the program's benefits to the mentally retarded boys and girls of this State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 16, 1970, as

MISSISSIPPI SPECIAL OLYMPICS DAY

and I urge all citizens to support this unique and important program.

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 1st day of May, A. D., 1970.

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JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, by a joint resolution of July 18, 1958, has designated May 1 of each year as Loyalty Day; and

WHEREAS, we demonstrate loyalty to our Nation not only when we show our love for its ideals, but also when we show respect for its laws; and

WHEREAS, Mississippian have through the years manifested their loyalty to our Nation by seeking to retain and strengthen the principles upon which our Nation was founded, but we must increase our efforts:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 1, 1970, as

LOYALTY DAY IN MISSISSIPPI

and call upon all Mississippian and our patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe this Day through appropriate ceremonies in which all of us may join in a reaffirmation of our loyalty to the United States of America.

I urge all citizens to display the flag of the United States on this Day at their homes and businesses as further evidence of our loyalty to the Nation which the flag symbolizes.

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, on this 30th day of April, A. D., 1970.

[Signature]
JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:
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SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, 1970 is the sixty-second anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps, a vital organization in the United States Navy and an essential component in the defense of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Navy Nurse Corps supports the fleet in helping to maintain the health of the members of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the Navy Nurse Corps throughout the years and throughout the world has served its country in the highest traditions of professional excellence in time of peace and in time of national emergency; and

WHEREAS, Navy Nurses continue to carry out this mission, working in the fields of nursing care, teaching, and nursing research, around the globe, afloat and ashore; always striving for greater perfection in these fields:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 9 - 15, 1970, as NAVY NURSE CORPS WEEK

in Mississippi, in recognition of the importance of Navy Nurses to our National Defense and our way of life; and I urge the citizens of Mississippi to support the Navy Nurse Corps, its goals and traditions.

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 twenty-third day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, it has become a national tradition for the President to proclaim the month of May as a time each year to give recognition to the older members of our population; and

WHEREAS, older Mississippian have gained invaluable experience in meeting the challenge of our rapidly changing society, and they can contribute materially to raising the quality of life for all; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Council on Aging is now conducting ten programs designed solely for the senior citizens in the areas encompassed by these programs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the MONTH OF MAY, 1970

SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI

and request that this month be set apart in our homes, churches, clubs, counties, municipalities and organizations to honor our senior citizens. I urge all Mississippian to cooperate with the Mississippi Council on Aging in its efforts and to express our appreciation to our senior citizens for their many contributions to our State and Nation.

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, on this the 29th day of April, A. D., 1970.

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JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

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SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the society of Aiding Leukemia Stricken American Children (ALSAC) was organized in 1957 by Danny Thomas for the aid of stricken children; and

WHEREAS, ALSAC has supported St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for its continued fight against children's leukemia and related malignant disorders and other catastrophic childhood diseases which each year claim the lives of thousands of children; and

WHEREAS, April 12, 1970, has been selected as ALSAC's Youth Sunday in Mississippi, at which time Junior High, Senior High and College students will meet on the steps of the Capitol building at 1:30 o'clock P.M. to start the second annual ALSAC TEENAGERS' MARCH:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 12, 1970, as

ALSAC YOUTH SUNDAY

in Mississippi, and urge every young person to join in this Teenagers March so that ALSAC can continue to help in the fight against children's diseases.

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 eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, All Night Gospel Singings have been a source of entertainment and inspiration to the citizens of the State of Mississippi and that Nation since 1949; and

WHEREAS, Through the efforts of many singers and musicians associated with the Gospel Singing profession, Jackson and the State of Mississippi have received recognition throughout the Nation as "A Gospel Music Center of the World"; and

WHEREAS, Gospel music promotes good will and love of God and love of fellow man wherever the singing groups may travel, thereby reflecting credit on the people of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the month of May is being celebrated as the Twenty-first Anniversary of the "All Night Singing" in Jackson and Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the Month of May, 1970, as

GOSPEL SINGING MONTH

in Mississippi and urge the citizens to participate in its observance.

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 sixteenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Apollo XIII Space Mission has encountered technical malfunctions in its electrical and mechanical systems causing premature curtailment of its mission; and

WHEREAS, due to the aforementioned malfunctions the lives of three astronauts have been placed in serious jeopardy; and

WHEREAS, the entire civilized world is profoundly concerned and fearful for the safety of the astronauts: James A. Lovell, Jr., Fred W. Haise, Jr., and Jack L. Swigert, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Mississippi take pride in the skill, courage, valor and strength of character exhibited by these astronauts; one of whom, Fred W. Haise, Jr. is a distinguished native son of our State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 17, 1970, as

A DAY OF HOPE AND PRAYER

for the safe return to earth of the Space Ship Apollo XIII and its heroic three-man crew. On behalf of our people, I express our deep compassion for the astronauts' wives, children, and loved ones in these hours of great anxiety.

Further, I urge that vehicles traveling the highways of the State of Mississippi keep their headlights illuminated during the day on Friday, April 17, 1970, as a symbol of hope for the safe return of our heroes, now scheduled at 12:08 P. M.; and

Further, I hereby designate the period of 12:00 o'clock noon to 12:15 o'clock P. M. be set aside as a solemn period of prayer and meditation for the safety of our astronauts and comfort to their families; that all church bells in this State be tolled at 12:00 o'clock noon to signify the beginning of these moments of prayer and meditation.

To the end that all Mississippians may be afforded an opportunity to participate in this observance, I respectfully request the active cooperation of all mediums of the press, radio, and television in the dissemination of the purposes and provisions of this proclamation.

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 16th day of April, A. D. 1970.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is rapidly gaining favor throughout the Nation as a State which has wide and varied appeal for tourists and vacationers, and with this growing tourist and recreation business adding to the general welfare and prosperity of the State; and

WHEREAS, the further development of this potential $500,000,000 annual industry is of paramount importance to the State and to the continued prosperity of our people; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Agricultural and Industrial Board is conducting an aggressive program to encourage citizens of other states to visit Mississippi and enjoy its many historic, scenic and recreational attractions; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi, its communities and its people have inherited an attitude of friendliness and hospitality from their forefathers, these attributes having a place of primary importance in making our visitors feel at home while within our borders and our continuing friends after their departure:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1970, as

HOSPITALITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippi communities, our people, the various organizations of the State and local and State officials to take part in the programs and activities which have been planned for this period to the end that the entire Nation may come to realize that a "Mississippi Welcome" is the best kind of welcome there is.

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 second day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, local Chambers of Commerce serve 110 Mississippi communities as volunteer development organizations through which citizens and local governmental officials can cooperatively work to make their areas economically stronger and environmentally more attractive; and

WHEREAS, much of the valuable industrial development activity which has occurred in our state in recent years has been supported and sponsored by the local and county Chambers of Commerce and related interests; and

WHEREAS, the MEC-State Chamber of Commerce has been an active force in mobilizing Mississippi's leadership statewide to work for desirable objectives; and

WHEREAS, on a national basis the observance of Chamber of Commerce Week is encouraged by the American Chamber of Commerce Executives as an opportunity to salute and commend Chambers of Commerce and their worthwhile activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 5 - 11, 1970, as

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK

in Mississippi, and call upon our citizens to observe appropriately this special week.

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 thirtieth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Mississippi is endowed with all the scenic resources necessary to rank it the most beautiful of the fifty states; and

WHEREAS, a cleaner and more beautiful Mississippi proves our appreciation of Mississippi's God-given natural beauty and develops the respect of our youth for beauty and cleanliness; and

WHEREAS, a more beautiful Mississippi enhances our attractions for new industry and more tourists and benefits every citizen in his pocketbook and in enjoyment of clean, beautiful highways, cities, towns, parks and all places used by the public; and

WHEREAS, a more beautiful and a cleaner Mississippi is an economy if every Mississippian is thoughtful of the consequences of carelessly strewn trash and litter instead of collecting it for proper disposal:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 1970, as MISSISSIPPI CLEAN-UP MONTH

All citizens, young and old, individually and collectively, through their municipalities, schools, educational and religious groups, civic and social organizations with the continuing cooperation of the press, radio and television and all other means of communication are called upon to band together to remove accumulations of litter and trash and to help make Mississippi a cleaner, greener state -- now and forever.

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 thirty-first day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, all of the people in the State of Mississippi are deeply interested in the performance, maintenance and safety standards of automobiles, buses, trucks or other automotive vehicles; and

WHEREAS, approximately one out of every ten employed persons and about one out of every six businesses in our State engage in or directly relate to the Automotive Industry; and

WHEREAS, the Automotive Industry is one of the key industries in our State and is vital for the economy, welfare and growth of our State; and

WHEREAS, the Automotive Industry is interested in providing economic and educational benefits for thousands of service station operators, automobile mechanics, garage repairmen, car and truck dealers, fleet operations, farm and implement dealers, automotive retailers, wholesalers, distributors, warehouses, manufacturers, marketers, salesmen and students; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Automotive Wholesalers Association and the Automotive Wholesalers Association of Louisiana, are convening and conducting Conventions and Conferences during the first week of April in Jackson to educate, to inform and for the benefit of any and all concerned with automotive services; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding importance of all of these activities for the advantage of the people of our State of Mississippi and visitors from all over the country:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 29 through April 4, 1970, as

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE INDUSTRY WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor

By the Governor

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, School Bus Safety Week will be observed nationwide during the week of April 20 through April 25, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding safety record of the school bus drivers in Mississippi merits public commendation and recognition; and

WHEREAS, safe student transportation on school buses has acquired great importance due to the increasingly heavy traffic on our streets and highways throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, School Bus Safety Week is an ideal time for all citizens to rededicate themselves to promote safety on our streets and highways by exercising caution and courtesy in driving:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 20 through April 25, 1970, as

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the membership of the American Business Women's Association is composed of women in varied occupations and professions with more than 50,000 members enrolled in over 850 chapters throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the Association is dedicated to elevating the status of all women in business, through appropriate training, the improvement of employer-employee relations, and continuing education; and

WHEREAS, one of the main objectives of this Association is the awarding of scholarships by chapters to qualified and deserving women students; and

WHEREAS, in addition to scholarships from the national educational fund, in the past year ABWA chapter scholarships have amounted to over $225,000.00:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1970, as

ABWA SCHOLARSHIP MONTH

in Mississippi, and do urge all residents to take proper cognizance thereof.

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 eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the active poison prevention campaign is designed
to reduce accidental poisonings among our young children; and

WHEREAS, educational programs combined with improved labeling
and packaging techniques and medical procedures have all contributed
to a steady decline in deaths among children caused by poisons:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of Mississippi,
do hereby proclaim March 15 - 21, 1970, as

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in this State. I urge all appropriate agencies of the State Government,
and invite local governments and organizations, to cooperate in a
coordinated campaign designed to reduce further this threat to our
young people.

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 sixteenth day of
March in the year of our Lord
nineteen hundred and seventy
and of the Independence of the United
States of America the one hundred
and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, industrial development benefits all the citizens of Mississippi by providing gainful employment, by stimulating sales of services and raw materials, by raising tax revenues, and by improving the general economic level of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi always welcome the opportunity to become better informed about the types of industry in their communities, the products produced by their fellow citizens who work in Mississippi industry, and the potential for further development of their resources; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi communities are interested in facts about the industrial payroll dollars in their city, the amount of taxes paid by their industries, and the many social and cultural contributions made to the community by the industries and the people who work in these industries; and

WHEREAS, all citizens would welcome the opportunity to show appreciation to the industries which provide these many jobs and benefits:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 4 - 9, 1970, as

INDUSTRY APPRECIATION WEEK
throughout Mississippi; and do call upon all citizens, organizations, and businesses to render every assistance and cooperation to the observance of this week of special events and appreciation.

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 seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.


By the Governor:

[Signature]
Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, our nation will mark the thirteenth annual observance of Law Day USA on Friday, May 1; and

WHEREAS, Law Day holds special importance in these times. It has been designated by Congress and the President as an occasion for individual rededication to "the ideals of equality and justice under law," and as a time to reflect upon the values which the rule of law has represented in American society since the founding of our country 194 years ago; and

WHEREAS, the law has served the nation and its people for nearly two centuries. It has stood the test of wars, economic depressions, and strains upon the very processes of government. Law has provided the structure that has enabled our country to adapt to constantly changing needs of a rapidly growing nation without sacrifice of individual freedom and democratic institutions. It affords the basic framework within which the nation is striving now to resolve equitably the social problems of housing, education, employment opportunity and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, appropriately, the theme for the 1970 observance of Law Day USA on May 1 is: "Law--Bridge to Justice," a reminder that reliance upon lawful processes is essential to the achievement of national goals and unity in American life. Further, the theme stresses that justice is the objective toward which our whole system of law is dedicated; and

WHEREAS, on this Law Day let every citizen acknowledge and recognize his duty to obey the law, to support the agencies of law enforcement and the courts, and to join in efforts to utilize the resources of law to improve the quality of life for all Americans:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate Friday, May 1, 1970, as LAW DAY USA throughout this state, and call upon all citizens to join in its observance through appropriate ceremonies, and programs and educational activities. I especially urge the schools, churches, the courts, civic and service clubs, lay organizations, and the media of public information, to participate.

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 fourth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, early in 1942, at a time when the future security and life of our Nation were in critical danger, the Civil Engineer Corps officers organized the Construction Battalions to provide the Navy with uniformed construction forces. Officially designated and popularly known as SEABEES, they have established themselves firmly with the military establishment as the "Can Do" outfit; and

WHEREAS, throughout the long months of World War II nearly a quarter of a million SEABEES worked night and day to provide roadways, airstrips, ports and shore installations which enabled the armed might of our Nation and its allies to prevail over the tremendous force of our enemies. In the Korean action as well, SEABEES were actively engaged in stemming the tide of Communist aggression in that part of the world. SEABEES have earned the gratitude of people in less developed nations for assistance given in Chile, Costa Rica, Central African Republic, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Ecuador and Thailand. The SEABEES have also proven their worth in constructing and operating the "Deepfreeze" stations in Antarctica and other stations around the world. Today, in Vietnam, SEABEES build by day and guard their camp perimeters at night; and

WHEREAS, wherever the interests of our Nation require, the knowledge and ability of the Navy's Civil Engineer Corps officers and SEABEES are being used for the protection of the American people. Backing up those on full time active duty is a strong and vitally energetic Naval SEABEE and Civil Engineer Corps Officer Reserve, trained and ready for service to our country at any time the need arises; and

WHEREAS, on this the Twenty-Eighth Anniversary of the formation of the SEABEES, it is fitting that we pay tribute to the gallantry and accomplishment of the Navy SEABEES:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 5, 1970, as

SEABEE DAY

in the State of Mississippi and call the attention of our citizens to the proud record of the SEABEES and extend best wishes of all Mississippi for a most happy birthday to all active, reserve and veteran SEABEES.

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 second day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Circle K International, a college service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International, is observing the week of March 1 through March 7, 1970, as Circle K Week: and

WHEREAS, Circle K International is comprised of young men from the University of Mississippi, Delta State College, Mississippi State University, Mississippi College, Millsaps College, Belhaven College, Hinds Junior College, Meridian Junior College, the University of Southern Mississippi, William Carey College, Perkinston Junior College, Jefferson Davis Junior College and Copiah-Lincoln Junior College; and

WHEREAS, the young men of Circle K are part of an international organization dedicated to serving with purpose their God, their country, their state and their fellow man, seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; and

WHEREAS, they promote the adoption of higher social, business and professional standards and a more concerned and serviceable citizenship; and

WHEREAS, through their purposeful service and responsible leadership they have helped to build better communities where righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will are more than just words -- where they become goals for living:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period from March 1 through March 7, 1970, as

CIRCLE K WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 twenty-seventh day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State

[Signature]
WHEREAS, the peace officers duly appointed by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the University of Mississippi and the Sheriff of Lafayette County, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite mobs, riots, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them on the campus and grounds and in the buildings of the University of Mississippi in Lafayette County, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Lieutenant and Acting Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the peace officers for said University and the Sheriff of Lafayette County, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 25th day of February, A.D., 1970.

[Signature]
CHARLES L. SULLIVAN
LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, on February 21, 1970, a transport truck loaded with diesel fuel crashed into the guardrail on the Mississippi Highway 18 bridge over Tallahala Creek in Smith County, Mississippi, spilling diesel fuel over a large area of the bridge and, subsequently, igniting and burning the bridge; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence thereof, there occurred a total loss of the 708-foot bridge. The loss has resulted in the curtailment of local traffic and the re-routing of through traffic, seriously affecting the operation of local industry in this area; and

WHEREAS, this damage has been disastrous to this area of the State, resulting in a necessity for immediate reconstruction of this bridge on Federal Aid Primary Route 039 and such condition constitutes an emergency as contemplated under Section 125 of Title 23, U. S. Code as amended:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist within Smith and Jasper counties of Mississippi, due to the catastrophic loss of the bridge over Tallahala Creek; that the immediate reconstruction of this bridge is vital to the security, well-being and employment of the citizens of this area of the State of Mississippi; and that the Secretary of Transportation of the United States is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.

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 City of Jackson, this 24th day of February, A. D., 1970.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Mississippi is blessed with abundant forest resources which contribute to a better way of life by providing jobs and income, tax revenues, wood products, recreational benefits, and which provide food and habitat for wildlife, control soil erosion and collect and hold the rain for future use; and

WHEREAS, it is the God-given responsibility of everyone to protect this valuable resource so that our citizens of today and future generations will also receive the multiple benefits of these forests; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi suffers losses from wildfire at an average rate of more than three million dollars annually due to human carelessness or maliciousness in the use of fire in the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, the month of March is historically one of the most destructive months for wildfires in Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the Month of March, 1976, as

FOREST FIRE PREVENTION MONTH.

In Mississippi; and, furthermore, I do hereby urge all Mississippians and visitors to our State join me in a grand effort to greatly reduce the needless waste of this, our most valuable renewable natural resource— not only for the Month of March, but forevermore.

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 seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-six and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
GOVERNOR

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Music.

AMERICAN MUSIC MONTH

With this noble purpose:

Necessity, the father of invention, has a source of encouragement for our Heavenly and
American, music, often expressed as the universal

SOVEREIGN

A PROCLAMATION

Executive Department

M. McAdoo
WHEREAS, professional hairdressers and cosmetologists of our great State have generously given of their talents and time to enhance the beauty of the women of our State, and to uphold the highest standards of beauty care; and

WHEREAS, the week of February 8 - 14, 1970, will be observed as the 20th Annual National Beauty Salon Week by the National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association to salute the contributions of the profession of Cosmetology; and

WHEREAS, more than 60,000 members of this national professional association are conducting public service programs in our great State, and throughout the Nation, to bring professional beauty care to less fortunate women confined to hospitals, homes for the aged and other institutions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 8 - 14, 1970, as

NATIONAL BEAUTY SALON WEEK

and commend it to the attention of all citizens as a week in which to give special recognition to the cosmetologists of our State for their civic contributions, and as a time for all of us to seek to beautify our State with the same zeal that is shown by the cosmetologists of our State.

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 twenty-sixth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Variety Clubs of America are observing Variety Clubs 43rd Anniversary, calling national attention to the great and good work that has been done by the clubs and members across our country; and

WHEREAS, one of these chapters, the Memphis Tent, operates a Heart Research Clinic at 45 North Manassas, in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this charity, unlike others worthy of our attention, is devoted entirely to the care of indigent children, some three million dollars being raised annually for this purpose:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 8 - 14, 1970, as

VARIETY CLUBS ANNIVERSARY WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

John Bell Williams
Governor

By the Governor:

Ike Bates
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Mississippi Legislature has declared the public policy of the State that there be established and developed in the public interest an educational television system; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Authority for Educational Television is prepared to provide educational and instructional, professional growth and public service programs for the students and other citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, after four years of intensive work, Mississippi's first educational television station will begin regularly scheduled program service to over 600,000 Mississippians on February 1, 1970:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim February 1, 1970, as

EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DAY

in Mississippi, and I urge all our citizens to participate in celebrating this day by tuning in Station WMAA, Channel 29 in Jackson at 1:00 P. M.

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 twenty-eighth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, crime continues to rise in the United States, affecting the property and security of persons of all ages and stations of life; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary for all citizens to mobilize against crime, to defend vigorously the forces of law and order and become personally involved in rebuilding respect for law; and

WHEREAS, Exchange Clubs throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, guided by The National Exchange Club, have effectively sponsored crime prevention programs during the month of February for 22 successive years in order to make the people aware of the ever-increasing threat of lawlessness and of their responsibility to combat it:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of efforts of Exchange Clubs in Mississippi, and to encourage cooperation with and support of law enforcement, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1970, as

NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all our citizens to cooperate with and support law enforcement.

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 twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Federal Bar Association is celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of its founding on January 5, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the objects of the Federal Bar Association are to advance the science of jurisprudence; to promote the administration of justice; to uphold a high standard for the federal judiciary, attorneys representing the Government of the United States, and attorneys speaking before courts, departments, and agencies of the United States; to encourage cordial and friendly relations among the members of the legal profession; and to promote the welfare of attorneys employed by the Government of the United States and the District of Columbia:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby recognize and salute the Federal Bar Association and its Mississippi Chapter, and proclaim the week of January 4 - 10, 1970, as FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION WEEK

and heartily endorse the Association's aims and objectives.

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 fifth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Thursday, December 25, 1969, is CHRISTMAS DAY, and Thursday, January 1, 1970, is NEW YEAR'S DAY, and have been designated as legal holidays in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many State employees who live in other sections of the State will want to visit their homes and relatives during the Christmas Holidays, and it has been customary heretofore to allow a sufficient number of days for such purpose:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi to close their respective offices in observance of the CHRISTMAS SEASON, as follows:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, THROUGH FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1969: AND THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, THROUGH FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1970.

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 City of Jackson on this the 11th day of December, A.D., 1969.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the Clinton Junior Chamber of Commerce has undertaken the staging of a post season high school football game for the benefit of the various youth and sports activities supported by the Club; and

WHEREAS, this grid classic, known as the Mississippi Bowl, will be played at Jackson's Hughes Field on Saturday night, November 29, at 7:30 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, the teams from Jackson Central High School and Laurel High School have been invited and have accepted the opportunity to participate in this, the Ninth Annual Mississippi Bowl; and

WHEREAS, enthusiasm will be high on the part of Mississippi high school football fans on this day as players, coaches, students and fans gather from other the entire State; and

WHEREAS, this Bowl is another indication of the growth of sports interest in Mississippi, thus keeping pace with the business and cultural development of our State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 29, 1969, as

MISSISSIPPI BOWL DAY

in Mississippi, and urge that a special welcome be extended to everyone attending this occasion.

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 twenty-fifth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, it is significant and beneficial for the State of Mississippi to increase and promote public respect and appreciation for the vitally important protective and rescue work which firemen are performing at great risk to their own lives and limbs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Monday, December 1, 1969, as

FIREMEN’S MEMORIAL DAY

in Mississippi in memory and tribute to the many courageous and heroic firemen who have been killed or disabled during the performance of their official duties.

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 sixth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 5946, Mississippi Code of 1942, and amendments thereto, THANKSGIVING DAY is declared a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many state employees will want to visit their homes on THANKSGIVING, living quite a distance from Jackson, and in order that they may visit their families in other sections of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi, in the discretion of the executive head of the department or agency, to close their respective offices on Thursday, November 27, 1969, THANKSGIVING DAY, and on Friday, November 28, 1969, in further observance of the THANKSGIVING SEASON.

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 seventeenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, available information indicates the probability that between 350 and 400 American servicemen are prisoners of North Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, North Vietnam leaders have been repeatedly requested to provide a list of the names of American prisoners and to give assurance that these men are being treated in a humane manner, but such request has been denied; and

WHEREAS, this condition has existed for some as long as five years; and

WHEREAS, North Vietnam, which endorsed the Geneva Convention in 1957, has declined to release the names of prisoners held, to assure that all prisoners receive proper medical care and adequate food, to provide frequent exchange of mail between prisoners and their families and to release prisoners who are sick or wounded:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim November 9, 1969, as AMERICAN PRISONERS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA DAY

in Mississippi, as a day of prayer and concern for the missing in action and prisoners of war, to call to the attention of all Mississippi citizens the plight of these American servicemen.

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 sixth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the performance of the Seabees and the Marines of Gulfport during and after Hurricane Camille was far beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi, and particularly the people of the Gulf Coast area, is grateful to the officers and men of the Naval Construction Battalion Center for their outstanding services in rescue and rehabilitation of the Gulf Coast area; and

WHEREAS, many awards and decorations are being presented to the officers, men and civilians of the Naval Construction Battalion Center:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 31, 1969, as

SEABEES AWARDS DAY

in the State of Mississippi, and call the attention of our citizens to the proud record of the Seabees and Marines of Gulfport, and extend best wishes of all Mississippi for the proud and successful Naval Award Ceremony recognizing their performance related to Hurricane Camille.

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 on this the 31st day of October, A.D., 1969.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Bible is the most widely published book in the
history of the world, appearing in more than a thousand tongues and
owned by millions of people; and

WHEREAS, the Bible has provided man with a unique tie between
the present and the ancient past; and

WHEREAS, the Bible contains inspirational messages applicable
to the problems of today as well as yesterday and lessons for people of
all ages, races and creeds; and

WHEREAS, the Bible is the primary source of mankind's most
cherished hopes and ideals:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State
of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of November 23 through 30,
1969, as

BIBLE WEEK

launching Worldwide Bible Reading from Thanksgiving to Christmas, 1969,
in Mississippi, and urge all men, women and children of all faiths to
observe the week by reading the Scriptures in a search for their real
meaning and applications to the problems and possibilities, the sorrows
and joys of today and the hope for a better tomorrow.

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 twenty-fourth day
of October in the year of our
Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of
the United States of America the
one hundred and ninety-fourth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, men of all peoples and places have long marked each annual harvest with appropriate ceremonies expressing gratitude for the bounty of land and sea and joy in the security of plenty; and

WHEREAS, since time immemorial bread has symbolized all food as well as Man's dependence upon the soil, the rain, the sun, the seasons, the science of agriculture, and the benign forces of Nature; and

WHEREAS, among modern peoples and Nations of the world a Harvest Festival or a Day of Bread celebration, or both, have become entrenched in religious, family, local, community or regional custom, as holiday periods:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim this week of October, from the 26th to the 31st day, as the week of

HARVEST FESTIVAL

and Tuesday, the 28th day of October, as the

DAY OF BREAD

in the State of Mississippi, and urge all citizens to celebrate these occasions with suitable observances.

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 twenty-fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, thousands of Sunday School teachers in Mississippi and throughout the Country serve in a selfless manner to promote the good in our everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the lessons learned in Sunday School classes provide the moral and spiritual nourishment to sustain us in this troubled time, and spread the seed of comfort, compassion, and confidence in the future; and

WHEREAS, Sunday School teachers devote many hours of their time in preparation to teach without pay some of the great lessons of things spiritual; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the efforts of Sunday School teachers be recognized and honored:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 19 - 25, 1969, as HONOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS WEEK in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to attend the church and Sunday School of their choice in recognition of our appreciation for the Sunday School teachers in this State.

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 seventeenth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the eleventh day of November has been designated as Veterans Day and has been declared a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the men and women who served in the uniform of our country have made a major contribution not only to the preservation of America's freedom but also toward the attainment and preservation of freedom throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the gallant Americans serving in today's armed forces continue to demonstrate the unselfish willingness of our Nation to meet the challenge of those forces wishing to defeat through armed conflict the cause of individual determination; and

WHEREAS, the Nation and the free world are eternally grateful for the contributions of American veterans to the advancement of the cause of an honorable world peace:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby call upon all citizens to observe Tuesday, November 11, 1969, as VETERANS DAY

and ask that the day be observed with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have borne the burden in defense of our freedom.

I further call upon all citizens and business firms to mark this day with the proud display of the flag of the United States as a reaffirmation of our national unity, a rededication of our support to our Nation in her defense of the cause of freedom, and, especially, our recognition and appreciation of our newest generation of veterans whose willingness to serve the national purpose is in the finest tradition of our great Nation.

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 twenty-fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the purpose of CLEANER AIR WEEK is to promote a
united educational program for cleaner air and to help build a
better, stronger America; and

WHEREAS, the abatement of air pollution in all its various
forms is of utmost concern to every American citizen:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the
State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week beginning
October 19, 1969, as

CLEANER AIR WEEK

I earnestly request that during that week all citizens of
Mississippi cooperate fully in the observance of this week and
undertake a year-round campaign to abate destructive air pollution
from all sources.

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 seventeen day of
October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine
and of the Independence of the United States of America the one
hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, By Senate Bill No. 1581 of the Extraordinary Session of 1969, the Legislature authorized the appointment of an additional court reporter in the Nineteenth Circuit Court District; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1581 provides for the Governor to issue a Proclamation declaring the necessity therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that in order to relieve the continuously crowded condition of the docket of the Nineteenth Circuit Court District of Mississippi, it is necessary and required for the proper administration of justice that an additional court reporter be appointed by the Circuit Judge of such district.

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 13th day of October, A. D., 1969.

\[Signature\]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

\[Signature\]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, for seventy-five years the Children of the American Revolution have promoted the knowledge of American History, the celebration of Patriotic anniversaries and instilling a desire to uphold and extend the principles of American Liberty and Patriotism; and

WHEREAS, the Society has always encouraged the public display of the most important unifying symbol we have, the American Flag, which renews pride and patriotism and reminds us of the struggles and sacrifices made to preserve our country; and

WHEREAS, the young members of this Society are being taught that their heritage is not a birthright, but is a responsibility to receive citizenship training and to be an example to the young people with whom they come in contact; and

WHEREAS, young and old must learn that Freedom does not exist in a vacuum, but coexists with obligations and responsibilities; and that Law is the instrument by which the delicate balance between governmental authority and individual freedom is preserved and sustained:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12 to 19, 1969, as PATRIOTIC EDUCATION WEEK throughout the State, and urge all inhabitants to join these young people in the observance by taking an active participation in the planned celebrations and continuing study of our history.

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 twenty-ninth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi School Food Service Association and State Department of Education, in cooperation with State, county and local school systems, seek greater public understanding and support to further improve the National School Lunch Program and to promote its general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program makes possible a nutritionally adequate lunch in 1,050 Mississippi Schools and serves approximately 380,000 children daily; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program in Mississippi currently represents a $36 million industry which greatly benefits the State’s economy by using large quantities of meats, dairy products, fruits, vegetables, cereal grains and other farm products; and

WHEREAS, the School Lunch Program provides employment for thousands of our citizens in the local communities representing a payroll of over $11 million annually:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12 – 18, 1969, as 

SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK

in Mississippi and urge all citizens, especially school administrators, teachers, and parents, to take advantage of the opportunities to learn about the School Lunch Program and its significant role in the education, health and well-being of Mississippi’s greatest resource -- her children and youth -- and to give it their active interest and support.

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 ninth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, 1969 is the 100th Anniversary of the first intercollegiate football game between Rutgers and Princeton; and

WHEREAS, college football always has been an integral part of campus life and is a unique facet of the personality of the institutions where it is played; and

WHEREAS, it is a strong, unifying factor on the campus; and

WHEREAS, college football has been praised by educators, soldiers and statesmen as fine training for meeting life's challenges; and

WHEREAS, college football has made a unique contribution to the strong fibre of America and her people through its teaching of determination, self-sacrifice, dedication and sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the game has a rich history and significant traditions -- both tributes to the men who have played and coached intercollegiate football:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim 1969 the

COLLEGE FOOTBALL CENTENNIAL SEASON

in this State and wish all college football teams, players, coaches and fans a memorable 100th Anniversary. I offer congratulations to college football and the institutions in this state on 100 years of greatness, and I extend best wishes for an equally successful second century of wholesome competition.

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 sixth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-four.
WHEREAS, September 17, 1969, marks the one hundred and eighty-second anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 1787; and

WHEREAS, our constitutional form of government has withstood the test of time, and the threats of conspiracy, and yet stands constantly young and vigorous; and

WHEREAS, in this world of many changes -- some of which endanger the rights of free men -- it is imperative that all our citizens be aware of the acts and events that lead to the adoption of the Constitution and of the adversities that have subsequently proved its durability, thereby creating a better understanding and appreciation of the basic principles upon which this Nation was founded and by which it lives:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September 17, 1969, as

CITIZENSHIP DAY

and I urge State, county and local officials, as well as all religious, civic, educational and other organizations to hold appropriate ceremonies on that day to inspire all of our citizens to pledge themselves anew to the service of their country and to the support and defense of the Constitution.

I also designate the week beginning September 17, 1969, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and I urge the people of Mississippi to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies and activities in their schools, churches and other suitable places to the end that our citizens may have a better understanding of the Constitution and of the rights and responsibilities of United States Citizenship.

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 twelfth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Native Country Music of America is a reflection of the history, folkways and musical traditions of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation of Country Music throughout the land is increasing through the efforts of the many segments of the music and entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, the many persons and business enterprises devoting their time and efforts to the better understanding and appreciation of Country Music constitute an important segment of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, many Mississippi entertainers and representatives of Country Music and allied fields will actively participate in a special observance of the progress and growth of Country Music during the month of October, 1969:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1969, as

COUNTRY MUSIC MONTH

in Mississippi and call upon our citizens to observe the month of October with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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 first day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, on August 17, 1969, the Governor declared the existence of a state of emergency, by proclamation, in the State of Mississippi, and particularly in the counties of Jackson, Harrison and Hancock, as a result of the unprecedented destruction of property caused by Hurricane Camille; and

WHEREAS, on September 12, 1969, the Governor proclaimed that a state of emergency continued to exist in said counties; and

WHEREAS, a state of emergency continues to exist in that area of the State to the extent that it is in the best interest of the State that the Governor continue to recognize such condition; and

WHEREAS, under the broad executive powers of the Governor and under his comprehensive powers under the Civil Defense Act, being Division 5, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, the Governor shall carry out all emergency functions to repair the damage resulting from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Defense statute is a remedial statute to be construed liberally to effectuate its purposes, and that the reasonable rules and regulations promulgated and adopted hereunder shall have the full force and effect of a statutory law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency continues to exist in the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, in the State of Mississippi, as a result of the destruction of property caused by Hurricane Camille, and that all emergency functions required for the repair of damages and the restoration of properties shall remain operative and effective from October 1, 1969, through October 15, 1969.

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

DONE at Jackson, Mississippi, this 30th day of September, A. D., 1969.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, on August 17, 1969, the Governor declared the existence of a state of emergency, by proclamation, in the State of Mississippi, and particularly in the counties of Jackson, Harrison and Hancock, as a result of the unprecedented destruction of property caused by Hurricane Camille; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 1969, the Governor proclaimed that a state of emergency continued to exist in said counties; and

WHEREAS, a state of emergency continues to exist in that area of the State to the extent that it is in the best interest of the State that the Governor continue to recognize such condition; and

WHEREAS, under the broad executive powers of the Governor and under his comprehensive powers under the Civil Defense Act, being Division 6, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, the Governor shall carry out all emergency functions to repair the damage resulting from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Defense statute is a remedial statute to be construed liberally to effectuate its purposes, and that the reasonable rules and regulations promulgated and adopted thereunder shall have the full force and effect of a statutory law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency continues to exist in the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, in the State of Mississippi, as a result of the destruction of property caused by Hurricane Camille, and that all emergency functions required for the repair of damages and the restoration of properties shall remain operative and effective from September 15, 1969, through September 30, 1969.

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

DONE at Jackson, Mississippi, this 12th day of September, A. D., 1969.

[Signature]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, Hurricane Camille struck the Mississippi Gulf Coast and South Mississippi on August 17, 1969, with such fury that it has been described as "the most devastating hurricane in the history of America"; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Camille left in its wake a tragic toll of death and destruction; and

WHEREAS, this is a matter of great concern to every Mississippian, and likewise, to the President and Congress of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the economy of the affected area and the State of Mississippi has been seriously crippled as a result of the damage visited upon us by the aforementioned disaster; and

WHEREAS, such economy will be substantially influenced by the combined efforts of the local, State, and Federal governments, and private industry in rebuilding and reconstituting the devastated area; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America has demonstrated his profound concern and deep personal interest in the recovery problems and plans, to the extent of his visiting and viewing firsthand the scene of this great disaster; and

WHEREAS, the President's initial concern was shown previously through a personal inspection trip of the area by the Vice President of the United States and Members of the President's Cabinet; and

WHEREAS, President Nixon's visit to Mississippi marks the first time a President of the United States has set foot on the soil of Mississippi during his term of office since the visit of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt more than a quarter century ago; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Mississippi are most grateful for the President's concern and interest in the welfare of our State and in our rebuilding efforts, particularly in his personal visit as a reflection thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in full recognition of the premises, do hereby proclaim Monday, the 8th day of September, A. D., 1969, as

PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON APPRECIATION DAY

in Mississippi. In furtherance of this Proclamation, I call upon all Mississippians to join in welcoming President Nixon to our State, as a means of demonstrating to him our warm and genuine gratitude for his personal concern for our problems.

In further recognition of this event, I hereby authorize the Heads of all State Departments and Agencies, in their discretion, to close their respective
offices at 12:00 o'clock noon on Monday, September 8, 1969, to make possible that all State employees may have the opportunity to participate in the ceremonies of welcome for the President.

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 6th day of September, A. D., 1969.

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GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the Governor has determined that the municipalities of Waveland, Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, and Long Beach, Mississippi, remain in dire need of additional law enforcement officers to assist the respective mayors and municipal police officers in maintaining domestic tranquility and affording the maximum protection to these municipalities, their citizens and the personal and real properties devastated by Hurricane Camille; and

WHEREAS, the mayors of said municipalities and their law enforcement officials have, in writing, requested the Governor to provide some units of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol to supplement the capabilities of the local law enforcement officials; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Mississippi and Section 3975, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, and especially Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, relating to the use of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol in extreme emergencies as law enforcement officers, and under the provisions of the Civil Defense Laws, Division 6, Title 31, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, the Governor in serious natural disasters has the authority to protect the citizens and their personal and real properties from further loss following destruction and devastation as done by Hurricane Camille, I am of the opinion, and hereby find, that the use of reasonable numbers of members of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol is essential in said municipalities as precautionary law enforcement officers to support these police departments until the local officials and the citizens are capable of resuming full responsibility in insuring domestic tranquility and the protection of the citizens and their property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this Proclamation, and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, are hereby fully invoked and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, within the municipalities of Waveland, Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, and Long Beach, Mississippi, to support the respective law enforcement agencies of these municipalities.

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 3rd day of September, A. D., 1969.

[Signature]
JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, qualified Martial Law was declared on August 19, 1969, in the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, because of Hurricane Camille's indescribable devastation of homes, businesses, industries, public facilities and great losses of lives and thousands of persons being injured and made homeless; and

WHEREAS, a partial termination of Martial Law was proclaimed on August 22, 1969, except for certain municipalities most seriously damaged by the hurricane; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of the unprece­dented generous response to and compassion for Mississippi's many needs by the President, the government of the United States and of many States, communities, organizations, associations and groups from all walks of life, the local governments and the citizens in the path of Hurricane Camille are showing great courage and progress in the rebuilding of a more beautiful and prosperous Southeast Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, there have been daily evaluations of the progress of clean-up of the streets and highways, gradual restoration of public and private utility services to homes and businesses, and the decreasing need for Martial Law in these municipalities, and the civil and military authorities having recommended to the Governor that the need for these extraordinary powers will no longer be required in Jackson County effective August 26, 1969, at 12:00 o'clock midnight, and in Hancock and Harrison counties effective August 27, 1969, at 12:00 o'clock midnight:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby terminate and hold for naught Martial Law in the remaining areas of Jackson County effective at 12:00 o'clock midnight on August 26, 1969, and in the remaining areas of Hancock and Harrison counties effective at 12:00 o'clock midnight on August 27, 1969.

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

DONE at Gulfport Air National Guard Training Site, Gulfport, Mississippi, on this the 26th day of August, A. D., 1969.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
MISSISSIPPI
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JACKSON

PARTIAL TERMINATION OF MARTIAL LAW

WHEREAS, on the 19th day of August, 1969, the Governor declared qualified Martial Law in the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson because of the unprecedented devastation caused by hurricane Camille and the request for such emergency measure having been made by the local civil governments; and

WHEREAS, a careful professional evaluation of the further need for Martial Law having been concluded this day by military authorities, local law enforcement officers, and the local public officials in said counties have concluded that the need therefor remains only in a limited area in and near all the municipalities involved except for the City of Pascagoula; and

WHEREAS, the further need of Martial Law has been found to be only in an area South of a line two miles North of the corporate limits at the cities of Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, Mississippi City, Long Beach, D'Iberville, Gulfport, Biloxi and Ocean Springs; now:

THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby amend my August 19, 1969 proclamation declaring qualified Martial Law, to terminate such authority in all of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties including the City of Pascagoula, except those areas lying wholly South of an East-West parallel line two (2) miles North of the city limits of Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, Mississippi City, Long Beach, D'Iberville, Gulfport, Biloxi, and Ocean Springs.

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

Done at Gulfport, Mississippi, this 22nd day of August, A.D., 1969

Attest:
H. PATRICK JOHNSON
SECRETARY OF STATE
MISSISSIPPI
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JACKSON

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, hurricane Camille has caused hundreds of millions of dollars in losses of real, personal and mixed properties possessed by private citizens, municipal, county and State governments; public highways, streets, sewer and water systems; public and private utilities; and losses of possibly hundreds of lives and many thousands more persons injured, ill and homeless citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Defense statutes authorize the State to accept public and private donations, grants, gifts, funds, equipment, machinery and related needs required or useful in natural disasters, and that a special Civil Defense revolving fund shall be established in the State Treasury when so created and proclaimed by the Governor; now:

THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, do hereby proclaim that a special Civil Defense revolving fund be, and the same is hereby created in the State Treasury for the purpose of the State of Mississippi accepting and disbursing public and private donations, gifts, grants, equipment, machinery, including but not limited to federal funds and related resources to assist in alleviating the losses suffered in South Mississippi; all to be audited by the State Auditor of Public Accounts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed on this, the 21st day of August, A.D., 1969.

[Signature]
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Seal]

[Signature]
Secretary of State
DECLARATION OF MARTIAL LAW

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The State of Mississippi, and particularly the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, has been subject to unprecedented destruction of property and the breakdown of utilities and communications and unmanageable congestion of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The civilian authority and control of essential functions are not capable in parts of areas so affected to provide the essentials of maintaining law and order and control of the movement of people and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary that there be a minimum of interference with the primary mission of all personnel and equipment engaged in the restoration of utilities, communications and the other essentials for good order; and

WHEREAS, It is impossible under existing circumstances for local officials of the several municipalities and counties to meet the needs to protect the lives and the property in the stricken areas and to restore and preserve order and to provide adequate relief for the stricken areas; and

WHEREAS, The public safety requires State action and cannot be successfully met by individual municipal or county action; and

WHEREAS, The Governor of the State of Mississippi has been called upon by all the public officials within the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, Mississippi, to declare a state of martial law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi and Commander in Chief of the military forces of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare that martial law shall be in effect throughout the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, Mississippi, until such time as I shall terminate martial law in any area or areas because civilian authority and control can effectively be restored, subject to the following limitations:

1) The Adjutant General of the State of Mississippi shall administer such martial law and shall issue such rules, proclamations and orders as may be deemed necessary by the Governor of the State of Mississippi for that purpose during the emergency.
2) Authority hereunder shall not affect the functioning of civil authorities in their proprietary functions.
3) Authority hereunder shall not affect the functioning of business enterprises that are open and capable of functioning.
4) Authority hereunder shall not affect the conduct of elections.
5) Authority hereunder shall not affect the functioning of civilian courts.

I hereby require all citizens of the counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, Mississippi, and all other persons within the State of Mississippi to obey promptly and fully, in letter and in spirit, such proclamations, rules and orders as The Adjutant General of the State of Mississippi, or his subordinates, may issue during the present emergency.

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

DONE at Jackson, Mississippi, this 19th day of August, A. D., 1969.

Governor

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, during the period August 17-18, 1969, Hurricane Camille caused extensive damage in South Mississippi due to extremely high tides, washing waves, and high winds to both private and public property; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence, the area referred to has sustained serious and extensive damage to roads and streets, all of which constitutes an emergency existing in the area of Mississippi described; and

WHEREAS, damage within this area has been disastrous to the public highways of Mississippi, resulting in the necessity for immediate repair or reconstruction of highways and bridges on the Federal-aid Highway Systems and such conditions constitute an emergency as contemplated under Sections 120 and 125 of Title 23, U. S. Code, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist within the Southern portion of the State of Mississippi as a result of Hurricane Camille and consequent damage to highways and bridges on the Federal-aid Highway Systems; that the immediate repair and reconstruction of such damaged and destroyed highways and bridges are vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of the State of Mississippi; and that the Director of Public Roads of the United States is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.

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

DONE at Jackson, Mississippi, this 18th day of August, A. D., 1969

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, severe disaster caused by HURRICANE CAMILLE has brought distress and suffering to the people of our State; and

WHEREAS, the American National Red Cross is the recognized disaster relief agency and has demonstrated its ability to meet the needs of families and individuals who are victims of disaster; and

WHEREAS, the American National Red Cross has an experienced staff capable of seeing that relief is supplied on the basis of need to all disaster-affected persons:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor of Mississippi, do hereby designate the American National Red Cross as the official disaster relief agency to deal with the problems of individuals and families affected by the severe hurricane disaster; and

I urge that all citizens and agencies, both public and private, within the State of Mississippi, give the Red Cross their full support and cooperation; and

I further urge that all individuals, groups and organizations, wherever located, desiring to make contributions for the relief of disaster victims send their contributions to their local Red Cross Chapters. All such donations will be used by the Red Cross in the humane task of caring for the needs of the people who have suffered loss in the disaster and who are unable to rehabilitate themselves without assistance.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed on this the 18th day of August, A. D., 1969.

[Signature]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is engaged in an extensive program to upgrade its highway system to meet the needs of its people and of a growing economy; and

WHEREAS, this program will assure safer, more convenient travel for all motorists, and more efficient movement of the goods and services upon which modern life depends; and

WHEREAS, it has been shown by experience that the benefits of adequate highways exceed their cost, through reduced accident and driving expenses, time savings, enhancement of property values, and encouragement of industrial, commercial and residential development; and

WHEREAS, modern highways are planned and built to improve the quality of the environment, and to preserve and make more accessible the places of scenic, historic and recreational importance; and

WHEREAS, the motorists of Mississippi support this program through their highway-use taxes, and should take every opportunity to inform themselves of the progress and planning in highways:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of September 21 - 27, 1969, as HIGHWAY WEEK in Mississippi, and call upon all citizens to reflect during this time on these products of their tax dollars.

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 twelfth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, on July 23, 1969, a flash flood of an intensity of eight inches waterfall in two hours occurred in the north part of Wilkinson County, principally in the watershed of Crooked Creek. As a consequence, there occurred a total loss of a bridge on the county-road system across Crooked Creek. This loss has resulted in a curtailment of the local travel in this area and of the timber-logging operation generally in progress; and

WHEREAS, this damage has been disastrous to this area of the county, resulting in a necessity for immediate reconstruction of this bridge on Federal Aid Secondary Route 1184 and such condition constitutes an emergency as contemplated under Section 125 of Title 25, U. S. Code as amended, by Section 27, P. L. 90-695:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist within the north-eastern section of Wilkinson County, Mississippi, due to the catastrophic loss of the bridge over Crooked Creek; that the immediate reconstruction of this bridge is vital to the security, well-being and employment of the citizens of this area of the State of Mississippi; and that the Secretary of Transportation of the United States is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency, and to increase the Federal share to one hundred percentum of the replacement cost.

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 on this the 30th day of July, A. D., 1969.

[Signature]

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, on July 16, 1969, three intrepid astronauts, Mr. Neil Armstrong, Colonel Edwin R. Aldrin, Jr. and Lt. Colonel Michael Collins, were launched into space on the "First Man on the Moon" exploration in history; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned mission has been widely acclaimed as "man's greatest adventure"; and

WHEREAS, the world awaits and prays for a successful completion of this mission and the safety of its participants; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi has an unusual interest in the successful completion of this project because of being the site for the successful static testing of the Saturn Rocket which propelled the modules on their way; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 1969, the President of the United States issued a proclamation designating Monday, July 21, 1969, as the day of National Participation, directing that all Federal Executive Offices be closed on that date in recognition of this extraordinary effort; and further, requested that all Governors, Mayors and other Executive Officers cooperate with the Federal government in giving such recognition:

Now, therefore, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in full respect to the honor due the occasion, and further in compliance with the request of the President of the United States, do hereby proclaim Monday, July 21, 1969, as the National Day of Participation in Mississippi; and further, I hereby authorize the Heads of all Departments and agencies in their discretion to close their offices on Monday, July 21, 1969, in order to observe the occasion. Earnestly and sincerely, I call upon every Mississippian during the period of the Moon Mission to join in seeking Divine Protection and Guidance to insure a safe return to earth for Mr. Armstrong, Colonel Collins and Colonel Aldrin,

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

DONE in the City of Jackson, on this the 17th day of July, A. D., 1969.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir of the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi, has gained renown as one of the outstanding choirs in our State and has displayed great initiative through its promotion of a performing tour throughout the southwestern portion of the United States July 21 through August 3, 1969; and

WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir will represent our State and promote the many virtues of Mississippi to scores of people who witness its performance on this tour; and

WHEREAS, the Chapel Choir has long been a symbol of superior performance in concert and has gained for Mississippi the reputation for developing superior musicians and youth of high character through spiritual training;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare the Chapel Choir of the First Baptist Church of Grenada as the OFFICIAL CHOIR OF MISSISSIPPI for its forthcoming tour of the southwestern United States and as my personal ambassadors of good will from the citizens of Mississippi.

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 ninth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

 Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi has established a national reputation for its beautiful and talented women; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is the only state having two consecutive Miss Americas; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi wishes to recognize and honor all our potential Miss Mississippi's and Miss America's; and

WHEREAS, the Vicksburg Jaycees have brought and continue to bring national recognition to the State of Mississippi through the Miss Mississippi Pageants; and

WHEREAS, the Miss Mississippi Pageant is a State Pageant sponsored by and belonging to all of the people of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of July 14 - 19, 1969, which is the week of the 1969 Miss Mississippi Pageant in Vicksburg, as

MISS MISSISSIPPI WEEK

throughout the State of Mississippi.

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 tenth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, the livestock industry is important within the national economy and that of the State of Mississippi, and its contribution of its products is vital to the well-being of the people of Mississippi and of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the marketing of livestock is increasingly considered one of the most critical factors in the stability and profitability of the livestock and meat industry; and

WHEREAS, the competitive livestock market businesses located throughout the State of Mississippi and the Nation have as their business purpose the providing of marketing services and facilities designed to produce profitable returns for livestock buyers and sellers; and

WHEREAS, the broadest possible understanding of the nature and scope of those services is in the best interests of our State and national livestock and meat economy; and

WHEREAS, the Competitive Livestock Markets Council, representing the business interests involved in the Nation's competitive markets, in conjunction with the Mississippi Livestock Markets Association, will undertake during the month of June, 1969, an industry-wide effort to acquaint fully all livestock buyers and sellers with those services:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1969, as

COMPETITIVE LIVESTOCK MARKET MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all within our livestock and meat industry to familiarize themselves during that time with the services of Mississippi's competitive livestock markets industry.

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 5th day of June, A.D., 1969.

[Signature]
JOHN BELI WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is rapidly gaining favor throughout the Nation as a State which has wide and varied appeal for tourists and vacationers, and this growing tourist and recreation business adds to the general welfare and prosperity of the State; and

WHEREAS, the further development of this potential $500,000,000 annual industry is of paramount importance to the State and to the continued prosperity of our people; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Agricultural and Industrial Board is conducting an aggressive program to encourage citizens of other states to visit Mississippi and enjoy her many historic, scenic and recreational attractions; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi, her communities and her people have inherited an attitude of friendliness and hospitality from their forefathers, these attributes having a place of primary importance in making our visitors feel at home while within our borders and in continuing their friendship after their departure:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1969, as

HOSPITALITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippi communities, our people, the various organizations of the State and local and State officials to take part in the programs and activities which have been planned for this period to the end that the entire Nation may come to realize that a "Mississippi Welcome" is the best kind of welcome there is.

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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Waterways Experiment Station at Vicksburg, Mississippi, has grown from a small hydraulics laboratory to the principal research, testing and development facility of the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; and

WHEREAS, it has made numerous significant contributions to science and engineering through its research and engineering investigations in the scientific fields of hydraulics, soil mechanics, concrete, mobility of military vehicles, nuclear weapons effects and flexible pavement design; and

WHEREAS, through basic and applied research in the aforementioned and related fields, the development of methods and techniques and the testing of materials and equipment, it has assisted in the accomplishment of both the civil works and military missions of the Corps of Engineers in a highly outstanding manner; and

WHEREAS, the Nation's taxpayers have been saved hundreds of millions of dollars as a result of the work conducted at the Station; and

WHEREAS, the Station has contributed substantially to the economic growth and development of the State of Mississippi over the past 40 years; and

WHEREAS, it has attracted to our State engineers and scientists without peer in their specialized fields of competence; and

WHEREAS, its world-wide reputation reflects great honor and prestige upon the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, its activities also attract more than 20,000 official and unofficial guests each year, including many national and foreign dignitaries; and

WHEREAS, we are indebted to the Waterways Experiment Station and its corps of dedicated and loyal employees who have tested and developed many of the improvements which benefit our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we set aside a day for acknowledging and commemorating the important role of the Waterways Experiment Station in this State and Nation for 40 years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim June 18, 1969, as

WATERWAYS EXPERIMENT STATION DAY

in Mississippi, and urge the people of this State to attend its open house on that date and to become better acquainted with the outstanding advances in its many and diverse fields of science and engineering.
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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has served the people of Mississippi in times of natural disasters and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has delivered traffic from our Servicemen in overseas bases when no other means of communication was available; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has expanded the existing reservoir of qualified electronic personnel in case of a call to arms by our country; and

WHEREAS, continuation and extension of the Amateurs' unique ability to communicate with other states and countries is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the general friendliness and helpfulness of Amateur Operators throughout the State has helped present a helpful image of this State throughout the world:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of June 22 through June 28, 1969, as

AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

in the State of Mississippi.

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 fifteenth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and nintey-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Veterans of Foreign Wars members in Mississippi have in the past and do now render invaluable service to this State; and

WHEREAS, it is ever needful that all veterans be continually alert and ready to defend the principles upon which our great Nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, Veterans of Foreign Wars have in the past and do now stand ready to defend and uphold those principles at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, the strength of the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization is determined largely by the strength of its membership numbers; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mississippi Veterans of Foreign Wars is now conducting an all-out membership campaign:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1969, as

VFW MEMBERSHIP MONTH

in Mississippi and strongly urge all eligible veterans to support this great veterans organization by renewing their membership therein, to the end that VFW service to this State may be strengthened and this new high honor may be brought home to our fair State.

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 twenty-ninth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the late Helen Keller was an example of courage and faith to all mankind; and

WHEREAS, Miss Keller devoted herself to improving the lives and living conditions of blind and deaf-blind persons in the United States and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, her inspiration and leadership brought about profound changes in programs and methods for the education and rehabilitation of blind persons; and

WHEREAS, her work must be carried on vigorously as long as blindness exists; and

WHEREAS, the first anniversary of Helen Keller's death is an appropriate time to rededicate ourselves to the cause she served:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week beginning June 1, 1969, as HELEN KELLER MEMORIAL WEEK in Mississippi.

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 twelfth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
WHEREAS, the small businessmen in this State, along with small businessmen throughout the Nation, actively perpetuate the open and competitive marketplace so vital to our free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are close to the American consumer, providing much of the goods and the majority of the service we need in our daily lives; and

WHEREAS, small businesses offer job opportunities for job seekers of all races and all creeds; and

WHEREAS, small businessmen are recognized as leaders in the social and economic development of their own communities; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are the source of many innovations in products and merchandizing:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week beginning May 11, 1969, as

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and call upon the chambers of commerce, industrial and commercial organizations, boards of trade and other public and private organizations to participate in ceremonies recognizing the contribution made by the small businessmen of this State to the progress and well-being of all our people.

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 ninth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

G O V E R N O R

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, women play a most important part in the insurance industry; and

WHEREAS, they are not only effective locally and statewide in related fields - Fire Prevention, Safety, Crime Prevention, amongst many others, but also have made themselves effective nationally; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Insurance Women (International) now has a membership of more than 15,000; and

WHEREAS, these women deserve commendation and recognition for their outstanding accomplishments in this truly professional field:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 18, through May 24, 1969, as

NATIONAL INSURANCE WOMEN'S WEEK

in Mississippi and urge our citizens to do honor to the women who are performing such important services throughout the insurance industry.

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 seventh day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, nursing homes in Mississippi have established a
BETTER LIFE PROGRAM which provides for comprehensive care of the
erly and the convalescent and chronically ill of all ages entrusted
to their care; and

WHEREAS, there are in this State over 100 licensed nursing
homes and related long term care facilities able to provide care for
over 4,000 persons; and

WHEREAS, these facilities provide for the medical and nursing
service needs of their patients as well as special services relating
to their physical, occupational, recreational and spiritual needs; and

WHEREAS, member homes of the Mississippi Nursing Home Association
have embarked on a program to help fulfill the social needs of their
patients by encouraging greater COMMUNITY CONCERN; and

WHEREAS, the member homes of the Mississippi Nursing Home
Association are participating in the observance of National Nursing
Home Week, May 11 - 17, 1969:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11 - 17, 1969, as
MISSISSIPPI NURSING HOME WEEK

and urge residents of our great State to assist nursing homes in achieving
their goal of A BETTER LIFE for their patients THROUGH COMMUNITY CONCERN
by taking an active interest in patients in nursing homes, learning of
their problems and progress, and showing these patients that the community
is concerned.

I further urge that citizens acquaint themselves with the unique
role of nursing homes in the total health care community of the State of
Mississippi.

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 seventh day of May
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-nine and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
ninety-third.
WHEREAS, the result of teamwork between the engineer, the scientist, the technician and the craftsman has been the advancement of engineering technology; and

WHEREAS, the impact of modern technology is continually thrusting more of the obligation for the practical application and implementation of engineering and technological skills upon the engineering technician; and

WHEREAS, the engineering technician is destined to serve in an ever-increasingly vital role not only in the sphere of engineering technology but also in the general society of the entire nation as well; and

WHEREAS, through the efforts of the AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS significant advances have been accomplished in the recognition of the engineering technician as a vital component of the engineering and scientific team; and

WHEREAS, the AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS is serving as a national organization of engineering technicians to represent all branches and specialties as an authoritative voice to deal with their problems and to ensure progress in the technological aspects of the profession:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of June 23 through June 29, 1969, as ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS WEEK throughout this State, and request the appropriate observance of this occasion that is so important to the public welfare.

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 7th day of May A.D., 1969.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, transportation forms a vital and essential link in the commerce of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, carriers by rail, motor truck, vessels and aircraft carriers, through the investment of enormous sums of private capital, have developed a national transportation system for the benefit of business superior to that in any other Nation of the world; and

WHEREAS, the transportation performed by rail, motor truck, vessel and aircraft carriers has been a primary factor in the growth and development of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11 -17, 1969, as

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

in the State of Mississippi.

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 sixth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The Twenty-first Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo will be held in the City of Gulfport on July 3-6, 1969, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, this great sporting event has proved to be a recreational attraction of national and international prominence; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi are desirous of becoming better acquainted with the people of other states of our Nation and our good neighbors in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, this giant sport fishing event is provided for the recreation and pleasure of our citizens and those of the United States and neighboring Latin American Republics; and

WHEREAS, in the year of 1964-65 the Legislature and the Governor of the sovereign State of Mississippi did by official act designate the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo as the Official Sport Fishing Classic for the State of Mississippi, and by joint resolution granted this Giant Sport Fishing Classic a citation memorializing said activities as beneficial to the State of Mississippi as a tourist attraction and the furthering of Mississippi's natural sport fishing resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the days of July 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1969, as MISSISSIPPI DEEP SEA FISHING RODEO DAYS and do hereby urge all Mississippians and Americans who are interested in clean, wholesome and invigorating sports, particularly the sport of fishing, to come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast for this event; and I do hereby request as many of our people as possible to participate.

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 fifth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, throughout American history, the Merchant Marine has been indispensable to our security and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, today, our merchant fleet binds us in peaceful commerce with the increasingly interdependent nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, merchant ships carry the essentials of life to millions in need and have transported more than 20 million tons of food, weapons and supplies to our fighting men in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, to remind Americans of the important role which the merchant marine plays in our national life, the Congress in 1935 designated the anniversary of the first transatlantic voyage by a steamship, the SS Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually in observance of that day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 22, 1969, as

MARITIME DAY

in Mississippi, and do hereby urge the people of the State of Mississippi to honor our American Merchant Marine on May 22, 1969, by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, well over eight million people in the United States now enjoy the healthful recreation and sportsmanship of the Game of Golf; and

WHEREAS, The Professional Golfers' Association of America will sponsor the Eighteenth Annual NATIONAL GOLF DAY on Friday, May 30, 1969; and

WHEREAS, during the last seventeen years, over $1,300,000.00 has been realized from NATIONAL GOLF DAY for United Service Organizations, the American Red Cross, Caddie Scholarship Funds, the U. S. Blind Golfers Association, the National Amputee Golf Association, the Jaycees War Memorial Fund, Golf Facilities at Veterans' Hospitals and Military installations, Turf Research and Education, Golf Professional Education, financial assistance to those in straitened circumstances who have devoted their lives to Golf; and

WHEREAS, this day in 1969 will offer again all the Golfers in America an opportunity to assist many of these worthy charities and projects, as well as an opportunity to compete against the PGA Champion and the USGA Open Champion:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 30, 1969, as

GOLF DAY

in the State of Mississippi, and urge all the Golfers of our State to cooperate in this worthwhile venture by playing a round of Golf, thereby contributing to the many deserving charities and projects associated with this great Game.

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor
John B. Williams

Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

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 twenty-eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor
WHEREAS, truly dedicated American citizenship in our proud State is expressed through each individual's constant devotion to the fulfillment and safeguarding of our inherited freedoms and readiness to defend our nation against all enemies whomsoever; and

WHEREAS, the patriotic unity of our people is today challenged by un-American influences seeking to undermine and to destroy freedom around the world; and

WHEREAS, such threats to the American way of life can best be counteracted through the forthright patriotic reaffirmation of all our truly loyal citizens who stand united in the firm defense of our ideals and Nation, at all costs and throughout every State of the Union:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 1, 1969, as

LOYALTY DAY

in Mississippi, and I urge every individual, school, church, organization, business establishment and household vigorously to reaffirm positive allegiance to our Flag and Country, through active participation in patriotic public programs sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its co-sponsors on Loyalty Day, May 1, 1969.

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 first day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
WHEREAS, although the discovery of America began many centuries ago, it is not yet ended. It is a continuing experience. Each year, more and more Americans, together with friends from other lands, are discovering anew our Nation's bountiful store of natural and cultural treasures; and

WHEREAS, our country is blessed with a wealth of scenic beauty of widely varied kinds. Rich in historical, cultural, educational and technological attractions, America abounds in recreational opportunities and facilities; and

WHEREAS, as the summer of 1969 approaches, more travelers than ever before are preparing for that experience of discovery. Millions of our fellow citizens will journey this year to some part of our broad and diverse Nation for pleasure. We have every reason to believe that the State of Mississippi will welcome its share of these millions of tourists; and

WHEREAS, travel is good for America, and specifically the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a period of time be set aside in which attention can be focused on the benefits which travel in our Nation will bring to the United States and the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 21 - 26, 1969, to be DISCOVER AMERICA VACATION PLANNING TIME throughout the State of Mississippi.

In the interest of making 1969 a better travel year than ever for the United States and for the State of Mississippi, I urge all individuals, businesses, industries and civic and other organizations to give the observance their fullest cooperation and support. We can each participate by taking our families on rediscovery tours of our State and our country and by inviting friends from abroad to join us in this rewarding adventure.

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 seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
Governor

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, All Night Gospel Singings have been a source of entertainment and inspiration to the citizens of the State of Mississippi and that Nation since 1949; and

WHEREAS, Through the efforts of many singers and musicians associated with the Gospel Singing profession, Jackson and the State of Mississippi have received recognition throughout the Nation as "A Gospel Music Center of the World"; and

WHEREAS, Gospel music promotes good will and love of God and love of fellow man wherever the singing groups may travel, thereby reflecting credit on the people of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, The Night of May 16 is being celebrated as the Twentieth Anniversary of the "All Night Singing" in Jackson and Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11 through May 17, 1969, as

GOSPEL SINGING WEEK

in Mississippi and urge the citizens to participate in its observance.

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 thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

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By the Governor:

Secretary of State
MISSISSIPPI
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JACKSON

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Elks Lodges of the State of Mississippi are reserving the week beginning May 1 as ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK in tribute to our junior citizens honoring them for their achievements and contributions to the life of the Community, State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is our responsibility to guide, inspire and encourage our youth to go forth and serve America and our privilege to manifest a lively interest in all their activities and ambitions and to help prepare them for the duties and opportunities of citizenship which is the objective of ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 1 as

ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

in Mississippi, and I call upon all citizens and all departments of State government to cooperate in the observance, that we may attain these worthy objectives.

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 twenty-ninth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, modernization protects and preserves the investment of our citizens in their homes; and

WHEREAS, modernization maintains the health, productivity and morale of our residents; and

WHEREAS, modernization of homes develops and promotes civic pride; and

WHEREAS, modernization activity increases business and stimulates prosperity:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1969, as

NATIONAL HOME IMPROVEMENT MONTH

and urge all citizens during "National Home Improvement Month" to examine and reappraise the condition, equipment and facilities of their homes.

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 thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

by the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the history of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows from its beginning has always contained the best elements and principles for the happiness and welfare of the human family as is demonstrated by its work as a benevolent and protective organization; and

WHEREAS, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows will, on the 26th day of April, 1969, begin its one hundred fiftieth (150th) anniversary; and

WHEREAS, its membership has contained many eminent and outstanding statesmen of these United States; and

WHEREAS, it is believed to be only right and just that the State of Mississippi take note of this noteworthy occasion:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 26 to May 3, 1969, as ODD FELLOWS WEEK in Mississippi.

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 twenty-fourth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is grieved by the death of Honorable Joe T. Patterson, Attorney General of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding Mississippian distinguished himself and reflected great credit upon the State through his loyalty, his integrity, and his great legal skill; and

WHEREAS, Attorney General Joe T. Patterson earned for himself a lasting place in the history of Mississippi through his unswerving devotion to duty and his dedicated service as Attorney General since 1956 where his efforts were always expended for the State’s highest welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a great and good servant of this State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Attorney General Joe T. Patterson, I authorize the Heads of all Departments and Agencies to close their offices on the date of his funeral, Wednesday, April 23, 1969, in order that their employees may attend the funeral services, and that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half-staff on April 22 and April 23 on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction and control.

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 twenty-second day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, we have been endowed by our Creator not only with the blessings and benefits of our animal friends, who provide us clothing, food and pleasure in life, but also with a firm responsibility to protect the dumb creatures given us as a sacred trust; and

WHEREAS, the people in the State of Mississippi are deeply indebted to the animal anti-cruelty control and welfare agencies for the invaluable contribution they make each year in educating our children in humane principles, and in promoting a true working spirit of kindness and consideration for animals in the minds and hearts of all our people; and

WHEREAS, the week of May 4 to 10, 1969, has been set as the fifty-fifth annual celebration of the national week observing the philosophy of kindness to animals:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do proclaim the week of May 4 to 10, 1969, as

BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK

in Mississippi and do commend to all our citizens a full participation in all the events related thereto in each community.

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 twenty-ninth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the membership of the American Business Women's Association is composed of women in varied occupations and professions with more than 48,000 members enrolled in over 800 chapters throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the Association is dedicated to elevating the status of all women in business, through appropriate training, the improvement of employer-employee relations and continuing education; and

WHEREAS, one of the main objectives of this Association is the awarding of scholarships by chapters to qualified and deserving women students; and

WHEREAS, in addition to scholarships from the national educational fund, in the past year ABWA chapter scholarships have amounted to over $200,000.00:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do publish and proclaim the month of May, to be

ABWA SCHOLARSHIP MONTH

in Mississippi, and do urge all residents of this State to take proper cognizance thereof.

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 seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the members of the International Consumer Credit Association, the Credit Women International and Associated Credit Bureaus of Mississippi, in cooperation with credit granters throughout the State of Mississippi, are observing Consumer Credit Week with emphasis on the theme, "Guard Your Credit as a Sacred Trust"; and

WHEREAS, the officials of the State of Mississippi are aware of the importance of furthering the education of the consumers in family money management so that they may realize fuller benefits from the expenditure of family income; and

WHEREAS, it is the aim of this observance to improve the ethical climate of business in the State of Mississippi and safeguard the rights of consumers through this program:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period from April 20 through April 26, 1969, as

CONSUMER CREDIT WEEK

in Mississippi, and do urge all citizens of the State to participate in the educational and public service activities connected with this annual observance.

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 seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, there are now approximately twenty million Americans who are sixty-five years of age or over; and

WHEREAS, there are now more than 200,000 Mississippians who are within that age group; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed the month of May as Senior Citizens Month in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States in 1965 passed what is known as the Older Americans Act; and

WHEREAS, the stated objectives of this Act are as follows:

1. An adequate income in retirement in accordance with the American standard of living;

2. The best possible physical and mental health which science can make available without regard to economic status;

3. Suitable housing, independently selected, designed and located with reference to special needs and available at costs which older citizens can afford;

4. Full restorative services for those who require institutional care;

5. Opportunity for employment with no discriminatory personnel practices because of age;

6. Retirement in health, honor, dignity after years of contribution to the economy;

7. Pursuit of meaningful activity within the widest range of civic, cultural, and recreational opportunities;

8. Efficient community services which provide social assistance in a coordinated manner and which are readily available when needed;

9. Immediate benefit from proven research knowledge which can sustain and improve health and happiness;

10. Freedom, independence, and the free exercise of individual initiative in planning and managing their own lives; and

WHEREAS, as Governor of the State of Mississippi I have demonstrated my approval in general of the above objectives by activating the Mississippi Council on Aging authorized by Chapter 441, Laws of 1964; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Council on Aging is the sole agency authorized to administer the provisions of the Older Americans Act in this State; and
WHEREAS, this Council is now actively engaged throughout the State in an intensive effort to implement the above named objectives:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1969, to be observed as

SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI

and that this month be set apart in our homes, churches, clubs and organizations to honor our senior citizens and to express our appreciation to them for the many contributions they have made to our State and Nation.

I urge all citizens of the State to cooperate with the Council on Aging in its effort to execute the Mississippi Plan on Aging and to help provide the opportunity for our older citizens to live useful lives and to maintain a definite place in the society of our great State.

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 twenty-fourth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, milk is nature's most nearly perfect food and in its many delicious forms provides mankind with nutrients that help promote better health and greater happiness in people of all ages from infancy through the "golden years"; and

WHEREAS, dairying is the largest single segment of American agriculture, being responsible for more than one-fifth of the nation's farm income; and

WHEREAS, the dairy industry contributes in large measure to the economic welfare of large numbers of citizens in our State through employment in production, processing and distribution of milk and its products, and to additional thousands employed in related industries; and

WHEREAS, every man, woman and child benefits from the wealth and physical well-being which originate from the dairy industry and its products:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of the opportunities presented for constructive public service, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1969, DAIRY MONTH

in the State of Mississippi, and do urge civic and business associations to cooperate in this observance in public and private in order that we may enjoy improved health and increased prosperity.

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 twenty-fourth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is grieved by the death of Honorable Joe T. Patterson, Attorney General of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding Mississippian distinguished himself and reflected great credit upon the State through his loyalty, his integrity, and his great legal skill; and

WHEREAS, Attorney General Joe T. Patterson earned for himself a lasting place in the history of Mississippi through his unswerving devotion to duty and his dedicated service as Attorney General since 1956 where his efforts were always expended for the State's highest welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a great and good servant of this State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Attorney General Joe T. Patterson, I authorize the Heads of all Departments and Agencies to close their offices on the date of his funeral, Wednesday, April 23, 1969, in order that their employees may attend the funeral services, and that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half-staff on April 22 and April 23 on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction and control.

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 twenty-second day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the Mississippi District Young Women's Christian Organization has rendered for the past 50 years to the State of Mississippi dedicated and devoted service to the Senior and Junior Y-Teen Clubs throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, over the past 50 years, more than a million young girls between the ages of 12 and 18 in the secondary schools of the State have greatly benefited from the excellent program materials, guidance and services provided by the Mississippi YWCA; and

WHEREAS, this year, the women and girls of the Mississippi YWCA are observing their Golden Anniversary with a concentrated expansion of the Y-Teen program to serve more of the young girls in more of the State's secondary schools and more of the State's women; and

WHEREAS, the YWCA, a community and worldwide organization dedicated to the recognition of the value of the individual, offers wide opportunities for growth and development of the individual:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April 20 - 27, 1969, as

YWCA WEEK

in Mississippi, and commend the Young Women's Christian Association for its service, and I urge all Mississippians to encourage these dedicated women in their efforts.

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 eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, our State and many of our communities are rapidly increasing their industrial, trading and shipping progress in Latin America and World Trade; and our Nation is committed to the Alliance for Progress and other economic and cultural programs and defense commitments to our Latin American Policy and the (OAS) Organization of American States; and

WHEREAS, the Pan-American Week observances are of significant interest to the areas served by our State Port in Gulfport, Pascagoula and Jackson County Ports, and other Ports of Greenville, Natchez and Vicksburg along the Mississippi River and other waterways of our State; and

WHEREAS, the Organization of American States is an international organization created by twenty-two American Republics (Cuba was expelled in 1962) to achieve an order of peace and justice, to promote their solidarity, to strengthen their collaboration and to defend their sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence. The member-States are Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, the United States, Uruguay, and Venezuela; and

WHEREAS, through individuals and groups in our communities, students in many schools, through a study of United States and Latin American relations, commemorate Pan-American Day April 13 and Pan-American Week April 13-19; and as the State of Mississippi, her counties and cities increase their industrial and trade growth, they are striving to promote a greater public awareness and understanding thereof; and

WHEREAS, that all our peoples and young adults will be more prepared and unified to meet the challenging opportunities of our times; and programs of service to the community should be planned to observe Pan-American Week-Day --- Suggestions, special programs by civic clubs and other organizations, a "Fiesta" of songs, foods, dances, and fashions; posters, projects and displays created by school students; book displays in libraries; garden clubs planting of "Peace" rose, or twenty-two rose varieties, as well as use of various displays from or by local, business, industries and port commissions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 13, 1969, as

PAN AMERICAN DAY

and April 13 through April 19, 1969, as:

PAN AMERICAN WEEK.

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 April 7, A.D., 1969.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, May first is Law Day USA, and the theme for the 1969 national observance of Law Day is "Justice and Equality Depend Upon Law -- And You!"; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that representative government depends for vitality and strength upon citizen participation in its processes which participation will determine the effectiveness and justness of that government; and

WHEREAS, every citizen has a responsibility to his country, his state and his community and a duty to observe the laws, to support law enforcement agencies and the courts, while recognizing the rights of others; and

WHEREAS, our form of government, which is unique and has protected our Nation for over 190 years, requires that the right of dissent and the right to petition for redress of grievances be asserted in a lawful manner; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for us to reaffirm our faith in the rule of law on this special day set aside by joint resolution of the Congress and by Presidential proclamation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 1, 1969, as

LAW DAY USA IN MISSISSIPPI

and call upon all citizens to join in its observance through appropriate ceremonies, programs and educational activities with emphasis upon a rededication to the ideals of equality and justice for all. I especially urge the schools, churches, courts, civic and service clubs and the public information services to participate.

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 third day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the period of May 4 through 11, 1969, will mark the 46th annual observance of National Music Week; and

WHEREAS, music is a vital part of the culture of every civilized nation, and the people of the United States are proving themselves to be a great music-producing and music-loving nation; and

WHEREAS, the pursuit of music, whether it be through study, composing, listening, performing or participation, gives rich experiences in human life; and

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Music Clubs through National Music Week provides an opportunity for the organized musical forces of the country, as well as religious, educational and civic groups, to join music lovers in emphasizing the joys and pleasures to be gained from making music:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 4 through 11, 1969, as NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge the citizens in every community to participate in making music; to foster a deeper appreciation for musical talent; and to encourage with interest and enthusiasm the music programs offered in special events arranged for this week.

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 third day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, God's bountiful goodness has provided the Soil and Water which we depend upon for most of our food, clothing and shelter; and

WHEREAS, we are stewards of these natural resources; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the infinite variety in the quality and capabilities of the land that the Lord has entrusted to us; and

WHEREAS, we as citizens will be called on more and more often to make decisions about the best use of land; and

WHEREAS, the natural resources entrusted to our care by the Creator can serve as one of the great common denominators of concern for all in our society; and

WHEREAS, the cooperation and initiative of all citizens is solicited in making resource decisions, as well as in protecting our resources, and in supporting the programs of the State Soil Conservation Committee, the soil conservation districts and other groups engaged in this activity:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 11 - 18, 1969, as

SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens, civic, religious and farm groups, public officials, schools, the press, radio, television and others, to focus attention on the importance of Soil and Water Conservation in Mississippi's economy, which, despite increased industrialization, remains dependent upon agriculture and God's gracious gifts.

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 first day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
WHEREAS, kidney disease has become one of the leading causes of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Kidney Foundation, an affiliate of the National Kidney Foundation, has been established to enlist the aid and support of the people of Mississippi in meeting this problem; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that one out of every twenty-five Mississippians is suffering from kidney disease, and many of these cases have not yet been detected; and

WHEREAS, kidney disease kills over 200 Mississippians annually and is a contributing factor in over 500 deaths annually in this State; and

WHEREAS, a grant from the Federal government as a result of cooperation between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and the Mississippi Kidney Foundation has made available a kidney treatment center in Mississippi which has saved the lives of many Mississippians; and

WHEREAS, the number of patients needing treatment greatly exceeds the capacity of the existing facility, and many Mississippians are dying because they cannot afford the expensive equipment that would enable them to return to their families and to lead useful and productive lives:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April 8, 1969, as MISSISSIPPI KIDNEY FOUNDATION DAY

in Mississippi and urge every citizen of the State to observe and participate in Mississippi Kidney Foundation Day by learning more about the problem and treatment of kidney disease, and by contributing to the urgently needed work of the Mississippi Kidney Foundation in the areas of early detection and treatment of kidney disease, the development of means to make available artificial kidney machines in the home, and the education of the public in matters pertaining to kidney disease.

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 first day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, a period of thirty days of official mourning in the State of Mississippi in tribute to the memory of Dwight David Eisenhower has heretofore been proclaimed; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi and her citizens should take further notice of his exceptional contribution to this Nation as General of the Armies during World War II and in respect to the memory of a former President of the United States of America:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, having heretofore proclaimed a thirty-day period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi in tribute to the memory of Dwight David Eisenhower, do now hereby proclaim Monday, March 31, 1969, as a special day of mourning in the State of Mississippi; and in furtherance thereof, I direct that all State offices shall be closed on that date.

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 on this the 28th day of March, A. D., 1969.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the 11,000 members of the Women's Army Corps performed missions vital to the defense of the United States of America by filling administrative, logistic and support positions, freeing their male counterparts for duty and positions not available to women; and

WHEREAS, the need for women qualified to perform these tasks increased daily; and

WHEREAS, this need for patriotic young women has led to a call for volunteers:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 31 to April 6, 1969, as

WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge the citizens of Mississippi to participate in this week by being cognizant of the work performed by these outstanding members of the Women's Army Corps.

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 twenty-eighth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, called home on March 28, 1969, from his earthly labors Retired General of the Armies Dwight David Eisenhower, former President of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi and her citizens are saddened at the death of General Eisenhower; and

WHEREAS, this distinguished American Patriot has earned for himself a firm and lasting place in the history of this Nation and the rest of the Free World through his unfaltering devotion to duty as General of the Armies during World War II and as President of the United States of America where his efforts were always expended for our Nation's highest welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of Dwight David Eisenhower, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to his memory, I direct that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half-staff from March 28, 1969, through April 27, 1969, on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi, and all areas under her jurisdiction and control; and, further, pursuant to authority of Presidential Proclamation No. 3044, the flag of the United States of America shall be flown at half-staff on all State buildings and grounds concurrently.

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 twenty-eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, many residents of Mississippi, who have served their country loyally both in war and peace, continue to wear the uniform of the United States Army, as citizen-soldier members of the United States Army Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the Reserve units of Mississippi are composed of Army Reservists who selflessly devote weekends and vacation time to training assemblies and keeping in a state of readiness for any call to active duty; and

WHEREAS, these Army Reservists serve in all areas of the life of this State with the same sense of responsibility and dedication with which they are serving the Nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April, 1969, as

U. S. ARMY RESERVE COMMUNITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of this State to pay tribute to their neighbors who are members of the Army Reserve.

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 twenty-sixth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Lions of the State of Mississippi have for many years dedicated themselves to the task of rendering valuable aid and assistance to the visually handicapped, and those suffering from sight defects; and

WHEREAS, the Lions of the State of Mississippi have for many years assisted in meeting the charitable needs of the citizens of this State in all areas of community life; and

WHEREAS, in its efforts to provide additional and expanded services to the citizens of this State, the Mississippi Lions created a charitable, non-profit corporation entitled the "Lions Sight Foundation of Mississippi, Inc."; and

WHEREAS, the Lions of Mississippi through their Sight Foundation have made a major contribution to the citizens of this State in the form of a photo-coagulator laser unit for use at University Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the White Cane has long been a symbol of the individual having sight loss or being visually handicapped:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate April 3, 4, and 5, 1969, as

WHITE CANE DAYS

throughout Mississippi and urge all our citizens to support the Lions of this State during this period.

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 twenty-sixth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Country Music is the music of America; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Rodgers, a native Mississippian, having been born in Meridian, Mississippi, is considered the creator of Country Music; and

WHEREAS, Country Music has been of great benefit to our country, having brought us much joy and entertainment over the years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, take official recognition of the birth date of this great Mississippian, Jimmie Rodgers, and proclaim May 24, 1969, as

JIMMIE RODGERS DAY

in the State of Mississippi so that our citizens may participate formally in the observance and celebration of the birth of this great singer and his contributions to Country Music.

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 third day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, science is of increasing importance to individuals and society as the process by which understanding of the natural environment can be attained; and

WHEREAS, scientific knowledge and the technological developments dependent upon in profoundly influence interactions within society; and

WHEREAS, science education in the elementary schools, the secondary schools, the colleges and universities is the means by which citizens everywhere can understand and appreciate science in all of its aspects:

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the value of science education to our society and in conjunction with the Silver Anniversary Symposium Program of the National Science Teachers Association, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 23 - 29, 1969, as

SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, industrial development benefits all the citizens of Mississippi by providing gainful employment, by stimulating sales of services and raw materials, by raising tax revenues, and by improving the general economic level of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi always welcome the opportunity to become better informed about the types of industry in their communities, the products produced by their fellow citizens who work in Mississippi industry, and the potential for further development of their resources; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi communities are interested in facts about the industrial payroll dollars in their city, the amount of taxes paid by their industries, and the many social and cultural contributions made to the community by the industries and the people who work in these industries; and

WHEREAS, all citizens would welcome the opportunity to show appreciation to the industries which provide these many jobs and benefits:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5 - 10, 1969, as INDUSTRY APPRECIATION WEEK throughout Mississippi; and do call upon all citizens, organizations and businesses to render every assistance and cooperation to the observance of this week of special events and appreciation.

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 twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor: [Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, 1,500,000 Americans have been cured of cancer -- are now alive and well; and

WHEREAS, despite encouraging progress, an estimated 320,000 persons died of cancer in 1968, and about 615,000 new cancer cases will be diagnosed for the first time in 1969; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Mississippi alone, there will be approximately 3,400 deaths due to cancer and 6,500 estimated new cancer cases in 1969; and

WHEREAS, half of those who develop cancer today could be saved through early diagnosis and prompt treatment; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society is a voluntary organization dedicated to the fight against cancer by means of programs of research, education and service; and

WHEREAS, during the month of April the American Cancer Society will conduct its annual educational and fund raising Crusade, having as its theme -- "Help yourself with a checkup... Help others with a check"; and

WHEREAS, during this intensive campaign, an estimated 10,000 Mississippians will bring an encouraging message of hope and educational materials about cancer to their friends, their neighbors and their colleagues and accept contributions for the cancer control program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April, 1969, as CANCER CONTROL MONTH

in Mississippi and urge every resident of the State to observe and participate in Cancer Control Month by learning cancer's warning signals, acting on them, having an annual health checkup and contributing to the very important work of the American Cancer Society.

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 seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

by the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the international youth movement the Order of DeMolay is observing its 50th anniversary on March 18; and

WHEREAS, DeMolay is a character-building organization dedicated to the purposes of helping young men 14-21 years of age to become better sons, better citizens and better leaders; and

WHEREAS, the youth group is well-known for its charitable projects, community services and healthy social activities and for providing our young men with the desire for realizing greater goals and achievements; and

WHEREAS, recognition should be given to the many contributions made by DeMolay toward its guiding influence in the molding of today's young men for a better world of peace and brotherhood tomorrow:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 13-20, 1969, as

DEMOLAY WEEK

in Mississippi, in honor of DeMolay's meritorious service towards the communities, state and nation, and urge all citizens of Mississippi to pay suitable tribute.

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 eleventh day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the great variety of wildlife is one of America's natural heritages and a symbol of natural beauty to all people, including citizens of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, natural areas, clean waters, open fields, forests, and parklands help provide homes and living spaces for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, there is an increasing destruction of irreplaceable living spaces for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the period March 16-22 and the balance of 1969 will be observed throughout the Nation as a time to remind all Americans of the need to "Provide Habitat -- Places Where Wildlife Live":

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 16-22, 1969, as

NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to support this vital conservation observance.

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 third day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the preservation of the vast investment in our State's homes, schools, churches, hospitals and industrial plants is dependent upon the arts and skills of the painting contractor and his professionally trained craftsmen who reflected the economic life of our State; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Painting and Decorating Contractors of America seek out a project and paint and decorate it as a charitable community service; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Chapter, PDCA, is to be commended for its charity, and it is to be hoped that their efforts will encourage the citizens of this State to clean-up, fix-up and paint-up:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of June 14-21, 1969, as

PAINTING AND DECORATING WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of this Great State to support and salute the Mississippi Chapter, Painting and Decorating Contractors of America during this week.

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 third day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, as a voluntary agency, the American Red Cross provides humanitarian services to the people in every county of the great State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, skilled and experienced volunteers in Red Cross chapters in Mississippi, augmented where needed by disaster staff from the national organization, are now utilizing these skills and the necessary financial and material aid to assist the many families suffering great losses from the tornado which struck on January 23 and the devastating explosions which followed in Laurel; and

WHEREAS, in Vietnam and throughout the world, the Red Cross provides emergency communications between military personnel and their families, helps with emergency leaves, recreational programs, and counsels servicemen, veterans and their families in personal and family problems; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross in Mississippi is engaged in the training of Mississippi citizens in health and safety skills for their own protection and that of their families in time of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross nationally is appealing for $128,050,700 in voluntary contributions to carry on these services and programs to the great benefit of every person in Mississippi and every serviceman abroad:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate March, 1969, as RED CROSS MONTH

in Mississippi, and I urge that, in these times of major emphasis on recovery from disaster and the maintenance of our military forces at home and abroad, every citizen give fullest possible support to the American Red Cross in the 1969 Fund Campaign, so that this great humanitarian organization may adequately meet its defense and normal community responsibilities.

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 twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

Governer

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Circle K International, a college service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International, is observing the week of March 2 through March 8, 1969, as Circle K Week; and

WHEREAS, Circle K International is comprised of young men from the University of Mississippi, Delta State College, Mississippi State University, Millsaps College, Belhaven College, Hinds Jr. College, Meridian Jr. College, the University of Southern Mississippi, William Carey College, Perkinston Jr. College, Jefferson Davis Jr. College and Copiah-Lincoln Jr. College; and

WHEREAS, the young men of Circle K are part of an international organization dedicated to serving with purpose their God, their country, their state and their fellow man, seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; and

WHEREAS, they promote the adoption of higher social, business and professional standards and a more concerned and serviceable citizenship; and

WHEREAS, through their purposeful service and responsible leadership they have helped to build better communities where righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will are more than just words -- where they become goals for living:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period from March 2 through March 8, 1969, as CIRCLE K WEEK in Mississippi.

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 twenty-eighth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

Charles L. Sullivan
LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Jabez Larimer
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, music often described as the universal language, is one of the great arts; and its value is recognized as a source of enrichment for our lives; and

WHEREAS, the fifteenth Parade of American Music, sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs, is featured throughout the month of February with the design to give due recognition to America's music traditions and to encourage and support worthy United States composers; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Federation of Music Clubs is a component part of the National Federation and joins in the Parade with its notable purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of United States creative musical artists and America's music traditions, do hereby proclaim February, 1969, as

AMERICAN MUSIC MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all our citizens to join in the observance of American Music Month through appreciation and enjoyment of American music.

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 twenty-seventh day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, those massive ruins of an ancient city...crumbled clay walls, temple platforms and ceremonial plazas which marked the aboriginal city...have been restored as Winterville Mounds State Park; and

WHEREAS, Winterville Indian Mounds were built between 1000 and 1300 A.D. as a ceremonial center, long before the recording of history in America, by a mysterious Indian people whom we know only as Temple Mound Builders, probably direct ancestors of such named, historic tribes as Choctaw, Chickasaw and Tunica; and

WHEREAS, De Soto's chroniclers in 1541, when this Indian culture was at its apex, described these cities -- palisaded, moated and densely populated by an agriculturally skilled people; and

WHEREAS, for many years interest in the Winterville Mound site was so lacking that these great historical treasures were nearly lost to future generations as have been hundreds of others. However, some farsighted and dedicated citizens assumed the difficult task of preservation in 1939; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 1969, Mississippi Park System will dedicate Winterville Mounds State Park, which has been developed under a master plan to preserve and restore this vestige of our American heritage:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 2, 1969, as

WINTERVILLE MOUNDS STATE PARK DAY

in Mississippi, in recognition of the foresight and perseverance of those many citizens who have worked, and today continue working to preserve this historical site.

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 twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the American flag has given heart and hope and strength to Americans ever since this Nation was born; and

WHEREAS, it has flown in times of trouble and in times of triumph as a symbol of America's unquenchable ideals; and

WHEREAS, it flies today as a sign that Americans, proud of their country's stirring heritage, are determined to carry the American dream forward; and

WHEREAS, when we display the flag, we express our support of the American credo: one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1969, to be dedicated to patriotic display of the American flag; and I encourage all citizens to display the flag proudly, to show that we know what a privilege it is to be an American.

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 thirty-first day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, early in 1942, at a time when the future security and life of our Nation were in critical danger, the Civil Engineer Corps officers organized the Construction Battalions to provide the Navy with uniformed construction forces. Officially designated and popularly known as SEABEES, they have established themselves firmly with the military establishment as the "Can Do" outfit; and

WHEREAS, throughout the long months of World War II nearly a quarter of a million SEABEES worked night and day to provide roadways, airstrips, ports and shore installations which enabled the armed might of our Nation and its allies to prevail over the tremendous force of our enemies. In the Korean action as well, SEABEES were actively engaged in stemming the tide of Communist aggression in that part of the world. SEABEES have earned the gratitude of people in less developed nations for assistance given in Chile, Costa Rica, Central African Republic, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Ecuador and Thailand. The SEABEES have also proven their worth in constructing and operating the "Deep-freeze" stations in Antarctica and other stations around the world. Today, in Vietnam, SEABEES build by day and guard their camp perimeters at night; and

WHEREAS, wherever the interests of our Nation require, the knowledge and ability of the Navy's Civil Engineer Corps officers and SEABEES are being used for the protection of the American people. Backing up those on full time active duty is a strong and vitally energetic Naval SEABEE and Civil Engineer Corps Officer Reserve, trained and ready for service to our country at any time the need arises; and

WHEREAS, on this the Twenty-Seventh Anniversary of the formation of the SEABEES, it is fitting that we pay tribute to the gallantry and accomplishments of the Navy SEABEES:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 5, 1969, as

SEABEE DAY

in the State of Mississippi and call the attention of our citizens to the proud record of the SEABEES and extend best wishes of all Mississippi for a most happy birthday to all active, reserve and veteran SEABEES.

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 twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, during the month of February the citizens of the United States of America will celebrate the birthdays of two resolute American patriots and famous presidents, GEORGE WASHINGTON AND ABRAHAM LINCOLN; and

WHEREAS, the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, is sponsoring February as American History Month throughout the Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming more and more important for each person of this Nation to have a true understanding of the history of these United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1969, as

AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippians to emphasize the study of American History during this designated month.

By stressing the patriotism, wisdom and foresight our forefathers displayed, and by learning more about the carefully worded documents on which our freedom is based, we contribute to a great and stronger America for future generations.

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 seventh day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Petal High School Band of Petal, Mississippi, has been selected as one of the most outstanding high school bands in our State and has accepted an invitation to represent our State in the Krewe of Mid-City Parade and the "Greatest Bands in Dixie" Contest to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, February 16, 1969; and

WHEREAS, the Petal High School Band is the only such band from Mississippi to receive an invitation for this event; and

WHEREAS, the Petal High School Band will represent our State and promote the many virtues of Mississippi to hundreds of thousands of people from across the country; and

WHEREAS, the Petal High School Band has long been a symbol of superior performance in marching and concert and has gained for Mississippi the reputation of developing through its public school systems, superior musicians and youth of high character:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare the Petal High School Band of Petal, Mississippi, as

THE OFFICIAL BAND OF MISSISSIPPI

for the Krewe of Mid-City Parade and the "Greatest Bands in Dixie" Contest in New Orleans, Louisiana, and my personal ambassadors of good will from the citizens of Mississippi to the people of Louisiana.

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 thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Advertising Industry benefits all the citizens of Mississippi by providing gainful employment, by stimulating sales of products and services, and by improving the general economic level of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, in a country like ours, where you have thousands of products and services to choose from, Advertising is your best source of information; and

WHEREAS, Advertising stimulates the sale of goods and services, consequently reducing the cost of these goods and services, helping all Mississippians enjoy a better economic life:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 23-28, 1969, as ADVERTISING WEEK throughout Mississippi, and do call on all citizens, organizations and businesses to render every assistance and cooperation to the observance of this week of special events and appreciation.

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 tenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the hairdressers and cosmetologists of our community have rededicated themselves to giving the highest standards of professional beauty care; and

WHEREAS, the 19th Annual National Beauty Salon Week will be observed for such purpose in our community, as well as throughout the nation, during the week of February 9, 1969, by more than 70,000 members of the National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association; and

WHEREAS, the members of this national professional association are continuing a public service program that enhances the physical and mental well-being of thousands of Americans throughout this nation by providing professional beauty care to less fortunate women confined to homes for the aged, hospitals and other institutions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 9, 1969, as

NATIONAL BEAUTY SALON WEEK

in Mississippi and entrust it to the consideration of all citizens as a week in which to give special acknowledgement to the cosmetologists of our community, to recognize their high sense of civic responsibility, and their dedicated attention to services for the beauty of women everywhere.

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 third day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor,
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is extremely proud to host the fourth annual Dixie National Livestock Show, February 6-14, 1969; and

WHEREAS, the Dixie National is one of the major livestock shows of the nation and by far the largest east of the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS, thousands of exhibitors have spent large sums of money to bring their livestock and displays to this show; and

WHEREAS, there will be millions of dollars worth of cattle, horses and swine on display in the show rings; and

WHEREAS, competition will be keen and premiums in excess of $100,000; and

WHEREAS, activities during the week of the Dixie National Livestock Show will include the first annual Dixie National Rodeo Parade and a world championship RCA approved Rodeo:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim February 6-14, 1969, as

DIXIE NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippians to support one of our State's biggest and most important claims to national recognition.

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 third day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the observance of International Week by the Mississippi Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs turns a fitting spotlight on the great and growing participation of women in our economic and social progress; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, the Mississippi Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs encouraged working women to develop their highest potentials and to fulfill their rightful role in our society; and

WHEREAS, the members of this organization seek tirelessly to enrich our culture, redefine our values and further our material well-being; and

WHEREAS, a great humanitarian service is rendered by this organization to women from other countries by providing them inspiration as they plan their future in our State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 16-22, 1969, as

INTERNATIONAL WEEK

in Mississippi, in recognition of the lasting contributions to our State made by the Mississippi Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs through the promotion of international good will.

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 third day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The 454th Bombardment Wing, Columbus Air Force Base, Columbus, Mississippi, from January 28, 1965, to February 28, 1965, first deployed a portion of its KC-135 tanker aircraft in active support of contingency operations in Southeast Asia. Once again, the tankers were deployed to the Western Pacific from June 29, 1965, to July 30, 1965; and

WHEREAS, The 454th Bombardment Wing, in 1965, was acclaimed "Best in SAC", as a representative B-52 aircrew flew off with the top honors in the 1965 version of the Annual SAC Bombing competition --- a feat for which the organization was presented the covered Fairchild trophy; and

WHEREAS, In addition to maintaining a portion of its bomber and tanker fleet in a ground alert posture and training its bomber crews to the peak efficiency required for the delivery of nuclear weapons, the Wing also trained those crews to deliver effectively conventional bombs, utilizing the B-52 delivery vehicle - a task for which the bomber was not originally designed; and

WHEREAS, As the armed conflict in Vietnam gained impetus, on November 18, 1965, the Wing began deploying to the Western Pacific its complement of bombers, tankers and aircrews as well as the number of support personnel required to support wartime operations. The Wing gained world-wide recognition as the 454th/320th Wings, the Vietnam Iron Dukes, conducted bombing raids against communist North Vietnam forces and positions while the tanker aircraft provided air refueling support for both bomber and fighter aircraft operation in the theater; the Wing returned from this first complete deployment April 9, 1966; and

WHEREAS, The 454th's second full tour to the Western Pacific began June 15, 1967, and ended December 17, 1967, during which time its fourteen B-52s were surpassing 800 monthly sorties; and

WHEREAS, On July 12, 1968, the 454th was in-place and operational in the Western Pacific on its third full tour which ended December 23, 1968. This tour produced more sorties per crew than any of the previous ones as the B-52 support in Southeast Asia had increased the sortie rate per month; and

WHEREAS, The Wing has received many messages of congratulation and commendation, the senders ranging from Marine privates to commanding generals:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim January 23, 1969, as

454TH BOMBARDMENT WING, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, DAY

in Mississippi, and thereby commending the Wing for its patriotic devotion to duty and its efficient and effective participation in the commitment of the United States in Southeast Asia, and I urge all Mississippians to join in expressing our gratitude to the Wing for its performance in our behalf and its combat readiness to meet its assigned tasks.

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 twenty-second day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, The inventive genius of Thomas Alva Edison has
immeasurably advanced the frontiers of American science and the
welfare of all mankind, and, by creating industries employing
millions of people, has added greatly to the technology upon which
America’s pre-eminence largely rests; and

WHEREAS, The state of the world reveals that this nation
needs to maintain a strong scientific position; and

WHEREAS, In this age of limitless scientific horizons, our
Country’s need for men inspired by the example of Edison has never
been more urgent; and

WHEREAS, The motivation of more young Americans toward
careers in science, and the removal of barriers to careers in
scientific fields, are vital in meeting this need for scientific
manpower:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the
State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim February 11, 1969, as

EDISON SCIENCE YOUTH DAY

in Mississippi, and I urge the people of this State to do honor to
the inspiring heritage of America’s great inventive genius, Thomas
Alva Edison, by lending full support to all activities dramatizing
to youth the unique challenges of science and invention in today’s
expanding universe.

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 twenty-second day of
January in the year of our Lord
nineteen hundred and sixty-nine
and of the Independence of the
United States of America the one
hundred and ninety-third.
MISSISSIPPI
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, real estate and its proper usage are most important to
all the citizens of Mississippi, for in it lies the basis of all wealth;
and

WHEREAS, REALTORS are professionals in real estate who subscribe
to a strict Code of Ethics as members of their local Boards and of the
National Association of Real Estate Boards, pledging to protect the individual
rights of real estate ownership and to widen the opportunity to enjoy it; to
be honorable and honest in all dealings; to seek better to represent his
clients by building his knowledge and competence; to act fairly toward all in
the spirit of the Golden Rule; and to serve well his community, and through it
his country; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of all Mississippi communities are interested
in the professional handling of their most important asset, real estate; and

WHEREAS, REALTORS have contributed greatly in building their own
respective communities and collectively the entire State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, all citizens would welcome the opportunity to show appreci-
ation to the REALTORS of Mississippi for their dedication in providing a
professional service in the handling of this most important asset:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim January 7, 1969, as

REALTOR APPRECIATION DAY

throughout Mississippi, and do call upon all citizens, organizations and
businesses to observe this day of appreciation.

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 seventh day of January
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-nine and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
ninety-third.

John Bell Williams
Governor

By the Governor:

Heber D. Lamar
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the objective of the National Foundation-March of Dimes is to prevent birth defects and their mentally or physically disabling aftermath; and

WHEREAS, birth defects strike more than 250,000 babies in the United States every year; and

WHEREAS, research financed by the March of Dimes and others points the way toward prevention; and

WHEREAS, more than 103 March of Dimes Birth Defects Treatment Centers across our nation demonstrate that mounting numbers of young birth defects victims can be returned from hospitals to their loved ones to lead useful lives; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding voluntary health organization, which led the war to conquer polio, places unrelenting stress on preconceptional and prenatal public education programs for the well-being of future mothers and their infants; and

WHEREAS, the enlightened citizens of Mississippi cannot in good conscience close their eyes to a continuing tragedy of such magnitude:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim January, 1969, as

MARCH OF Dimes MONTH

and call upon and appeal to all our thoughtful citizens to support this fight against birth defects.

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 thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, Wednesday, December 25, 1968, is CHRISTMAS DAY, and has been designated as a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many State employees who live in other sections of the State will want to visit their homes and relatives during the Christmas Holidays, and it has been customary heretofore to allow a sufficient number of days for such purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi to close their respective offices in observance of the CHRISTMAS SEASON, as follows:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, THROUGH FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1968.

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 City of Jackson on this the 10th day of December, A. D., 1968.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, thousands of Sunday School teachers in Mississippi and throughout the Country serve in a selfless manner to promote the good in our everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the lessons learned in Sunday School classes provide the moral and spiritual nourishment to sustain us in this troubled time, and spread the seed of comfort, compassion, and confidence in the future; and

WHEREAS, Sunday School teachers devote many hours of their time in preparation to teach without pay some of the great lessons of things spiritual; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the efforts of Sunday School teachers be recognized and honored:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Sunday, December 8, 1968, as HONOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS DAY in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to attend the church and Sunday School of their choice in recognition of our appreciation for the Sunday School teachers in this State.

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 twenty-sixth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Corinth High School Band of Corinth, has been selected as one of the most outstanding high school bands in our State and has accepted an invitation to represent our State at the Festival of States to be held in St. Petersburg, Florida, March 31st through April 13th, 1968; and

WHEREAS, the Corinth High School Band is the only such band from Mississippi to receive an invitation for this event; and

WHEREAS, the Corinth High School Band will represent our State and promote the many virtues of Mississippi to hundreds of thousands of people from across the country; and

WHEREAS, the Corinth High School Band has long been a symbol of superior performance in marching and concert and has gained for Mississippi the reputation of developing through its public school systems, superior musicians and youth of high character:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby declare the Corinth High School Band of Corinth as THE OFFICIAL BAND OF MISSISSIPPI for the Festival of States celebration in St. Petersburg, Florida, and my personal ambassadors of good will from the citizens of Mississippi to the people of Florida.

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 twenty-sixth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Signature

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the three hundred and forty-eighth anniversary of the Signing of the Mayflower Compact will be observed on Thursday, November 21, 1968. Our Country finds itself so situated this year, that the inspiration deriving from this anniversary is most timely. It is vital that the young, who are now on the threshold of citizenship, know the origin of our American Way of Life; the story of how the Pilgrim Fathers wrote the formula for Democratic Self-government, and so laid the foundation for our mighty Nation; and

WHEREAS, the forty-one men of the Pilgrim Company signed this fundamental American document, which gave the first assurance that Virtue and Industry and Freedom were here to find a refuge, by establishing the principle of Constitutional Self-government as the beginning of the political life of America; and

WHEREAS, it is inspiring to present day Americans to mark with special ceremonies the Anniversary of the signing of this immortal charter of a government of the people, by the people and for the people:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 21, 1968, as

MAYFLOWER COMPACT DAY

in Mississippi, requesting appropriate observance of this anniversary by our schools, churches, civic and patriotic organizations and by the public generally, urging all citizens to become better acquainted with this basic document, which, for over three centuries, has been an inspiration to freedom-loving people throughout the world.

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 nineteenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

Governor

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the continued future progress of the State of Mississippi is to a large extent dependent on the total good health of its children and youth, the citizens of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, total good health -- physical and mental -- can be achieved through good health habits, learned early; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Dental Association and the Mississippi State Board of Health maintain continuing educational programs in support of good dental health habits for young people and of fluoridation of public water supplies to prevent dental disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 2 through 8, 1969, as

CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge that all citizens join in the observance.

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 twelfth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
MISSISSIPPI
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 5946, Mississippi Code of 1942, and amendments thereto, THANKSGIVING DAY is declared a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, many state employees will want to visit their homes on THANKSGIVING, living quite a distance from Jackson, and in order that they may visit their families in other sections of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi, in the discretion of the executive head of the department or agency, to close their respective offices on Thursday, November 28, 1968, THANKSGIVING DAY, and on Friday, November 29, 1968, in further observance of the THANKSGIVING SEASON.

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 thirteenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor,

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the quality of life in our nation's future will be determined largely by the direction given to and the character developed by today's youth; and

WHEREAS, our nation's schools play a paramount role in defining that direction and shaping that character by endeavoring to --

- Offer pupils the opportunity to learn and practice society's values, direct intellectual development toward recognizing, making and evaluation choices, and consider the curriculum in terms of its total impact on the value development of children;

- Encourage the teaching of children as individuals and employ teachers with the preparation and personal qualities necessary for effective teaching;

- Offer each child a sound education suited to his individual needs regardless of the child's ability level, geographic location or socioeconomic status;

- Stimulate continuing inquiry, with emphasis placed on the value of learning for its own rewards, and provide opportunities for a broad general education;

- Contribute to economic progress by providing early and realistic career counseling, educating all students to the full extend of their abilities and maintaining a vocational educational program of the highest quality;

- Enhance the human quality of students by helping them discover and develop their abilities and live contentedly within their limits, advocate constructive attitudes toward leisure interests and encourage initiative, resourcefulness and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, in the achievement of these endeavors lies the happiness and well-being of the individual as well as that of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, one of the primary duties of an enlightened citizenry must, therefore, be knowledge of, interest in and responsibility for the quality of our schools:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week of November 10-16, 1968, as

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

and urge all citizens to examine more closely the existing and projected programs of our schools, as well as their own efforts to ensure the highest quality education for all.
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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, General Samuel Dale (1772-1841), through dedicated service to his fellow men, exemplified the courage and character of the founders of our Nation and our State; and

WHEREAS, General Dale spent the last years of his life in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, and served as the county's first representative to the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, he showed astounding fortitude, fearlessness and daring courage when he rode over eight hundred miles from Milbridgeville, Georgia, through savage wilderness in seven and a half days to deliver war department dispatches to General Jackson on the Plains of Chalmete in the Battle of New Orleans, and then returned to Georgia in equal time with important dispatches from General Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the exploits and activities of this great man influenced the course of history and development of Mississippi, and the entire South; and

WHEREAS, on October 13, the State of Mississippi will honor his memory by dedicating a monument and a park to him:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 13, 1938, as

GENERAL SAMUEL DALE DAY

in Mississippi in remembrance of the contributions of this outstanding citizen to his fellow man.

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 third day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
Heber L. Lamar
Attorney General, State
WHEREAS, it is of vital interest to all citizens of the United States of America that we possess a sound national defense; and

WHEREAS, it is well known that our strong Navy and Marine Corps are making great contributions to the security of our Nation and free men everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the mobile forces of the Navy, manned by highly trained and dedicated personnel, provide a deterrent force, richly free from surprise attacks; and

WHEREAS, since 1922, October 27 has been celebrated nationally and locally as Navy Day, a day on which it is only fitting and proper that the citizens of this great Nation give well-deserved honor and recognition to the achievements of our mighty Navy, and particularly to its heroic men and women living and dead all over the world, for their patriotism, loyalty, efficiency and devotion to duty:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 27, 1968, as NAVY DAY

and call upon all citizens of Mississippi to take part in appropriate observance of this day through the many channels open to them.

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 fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
WHEREAS, fire is the third largest cause of accidental death in America - and deaths from fire increased again last year; and

WHEREAS, the cost of homes and businesses which went up in flames last year is estimated to exceed $2 billion; and

WHEREAS, these tragic deaths and huge property losses constitute a shameful waste - which can and must be reduced; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968 was a first step toward better trained and better equipped firefighters and modern firefighting techniques. But while such legislation can provide the technical know-how which will help to reduce our fire losses, fires can be prevented only when each citizen actively cooperates and earnestly supports the efforts of his community fire department:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week beginning October 6, 1968, as FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

and urge all groups involved in fire safety activities to observe Fire Prevention Week and to motivate all citizens toward year-round fire prevention activity.

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 fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Bible is the divinely inspired written word of God; and

WHEREAS, through the centuries it has served mankind as an unequalled source of guidance, solace and strength in times of decision and times of tribulation. From its pages have flowed the very religious and moral foundation upon which this great nation is built; and

WHEREAS, the Bible should be read frequently for its messages of faith and understanding. Every minute spent reading the Bible is time well spent, for as no other book it sums up the hopes and aspirations of man, past, present and future:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 20 through 27, 1968, as BIBLE WEEK in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to observe this week through reading of the Bible and through a reflection on its true meaning to this nation and to each of us in our individual lives.

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 fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Mississippi has made many splendid contributions to the
field of art through the work of her outstanding artists; and

WHEREAS, a vital interest in the appreciation of art has been
fostered by various art groups and associations in our State; and

WHEREAS, educators have made great strides in bringing art into
the curricula of Mississippi's universities, colleges, secondary and
elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, the industrial development of our State has focused attention
on the need for trained students in the many commercial fields of art; and

WHEREAS, civic clubs and community development organizations have
recognized that art must be a part of progress if a cultural heritage is to
be nurtured in our State; and

WHEREAS, the American Artist's Professional League sponsors American
Art Week in order to call attention to the work of American Artists:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of November 1 - 7, 1968, as

AMERICAN ART WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 tenth day of October
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-eight and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
ninety-third.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
EXPERIMENT

In order to determine the effect of various factors on the reduction of pollution.

Methodology:
1. Collect data on the concentration of pollution in the area.
2. Conduct experiments to vary the conditions that affect pollution levels.
3. Analyze the data to identify patterns and trends.

Conclusion:
The experiments showed that reducing the emission levels of certain pollutants can significantly decrease pollution levels. Further research is needed to explore the long-term effects of these changes.

Dr. Jane Smith
Department of Environmental Science
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is greatly blessed in the richness of her water resources, affording vast opportunity for future industrial and recreational development; and

WHEREAS, the effective utilization of the full water resources of the State of Mississippi is of vital importance in attaining the maximum economic potential of this state; and

WHEREAS, the organizations of this state dedicated to maximum development of our water resources, both private and public, are significantly contributing to the interests and welfare of all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is felt that the water resources of the State of Mississippi and the promise it affords the future should be emphasized:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BELL WILLIAMS, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of November 21 - November 26, 1968, as:

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in Mississippi and call upon our citizens to recognize and herald the abundant blessings of our water resources and urge the people of our state to support the programs and the organizations dedicated to achieving maximum water resources development.

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 ninth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State

[Signature]
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, a well-nourished, healthy, intelligent child is the most precious asset America can possess; and

WHEREAS, it is vitally important, therefore, that every American child be offered an adequate diet and taught good food habits, no matter where he lives, or how much or little his parents earn; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program is a major factor in achieving this goal. In the 1968-69 school year, nearly 20 million children are expected to benefit;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week beginning October 13, 1968, as NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK

in Mississippi, and call upon all citizens to observe the week with ceremonials and activities designed to increase public understanding and awareness of the significance of the National School Lunch Program and other food service programs to the child, to the home, to the farm, to industry and to the Nation.

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 ninth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, October 23rd is recognized nationally as United States' Day; and

WHEREAS, all patriotic American citizens rejoice in that their rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are protected and guaranteed by our United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, we are proud and thankful for our American Heritage; and

WHEREAS, it is customary for all Americans to fly the Flag in honor of our living Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 23, 1968, as

UNITED STATES' DAY

in Mississippi, and urge all patriotic citizens to fly their flag of the United States of America in appreciation of our heritage.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Native Country Music of America is a reflection of the history, folkways and musical traditions of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation of Country Music throughout the land is increasing through the efforts of the many segments of the music and entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, the many persons and business enterprises devoting their time and efforts to the better understanding and appreciation of Country Music constitute an important segment of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, many Mississippi entertainers and representatives of Country Music and allied fields will actively participate in a special observance of the progress and growth of Country Music during the month of October, 1968:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1968, as

COUNTRY MUSIC MONTH

In Mississippi and call upon our citizens to observe the month of October with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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 first day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
WHEREAS, the health of her citizens is a basic resource of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the family doctor and personal physician are central to the modern system of medical arts and sciences by which health is conserved and protected, illness prevented, and life and well-being extended; and

WHEREAS, the continuing education of the physician is a life-long process to the furtherance of which the physicians of Mississippi will gather October 15-17, 1968, in Biloxi for the Twentieth Annual Session of the Mississippi Academy of General Practice:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 13 - 19, 1968, as FAMILY DOCTOR WEEK in Mississippi

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 fourth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, working women constitute 26 million of the Nation's working force, and are constantly striving to serve their communities, their states and their nation in civic and cultural programs; and

WHEREAS, major goals of business and professional women are to help create better conditions for business women through the study of social, educational, economic and political problems; to help them be of greater service to their community, to further friendship with women throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, all of us are proud of their leadership in these many fields of endeavor:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 20 - 26, 1968, as

NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK

sponsored by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., and urge all citizens in Mississippi, all civic and fraternal groups, all educational associations, all news media and other community organizations to join in this salute to working women by encouraging and promoting the celebration of the achievements of all business and professional women as they contribute daily to our economic, civic and cultural purposes

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 eighth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, in 1951 Division III, of the 8th District of the nationwide United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, was created to encompass the State of Mississippi, and since its inception has been and is composed of dedicated, outstanding, able, courageous, untiring and knowledgeable Mississippi boatmen. Division III now consists of five Flotillas, located in Jackson, Vicksburg, Hattiesburg, Pass Christian and Pascagoula, as part of a national voluntary civilian organization of men and women devoted to the fundamental overall purpose of promoting and attaining boating safety, in which endeavor they have been remarkably successful; and

WHEREAS, Captain J. Kevin Mitchell of Jackson, Mississippi, Captain of said Division III is responsible for proper and efficient operation of said Flotillas. The services, personal sacrifices, alertness, efforts, courageous deeds and other activities of the personnel of said Division III have prevented innumerable personal injuries, saved hundreds of lives and millions of dollars in property damage by inspection of boats, causing them to be made seaworthy, educating boatmen in the safe boating and handling of crafts, and causing the public generally to be safe boating and operation conscious, together with rescue work and unlimited service in weather disasters; and

WHEREAS, the unprecedented increase in year-round operation of boats upon the expanding waterways, reservoirs and other waters of the State used by boatmen emphasize the necessity for, the responsibilities of and the opportunities for said Division III and its personnel to contribute further to the welfare of Mississippians and others who frequent our boating waters; and

WHEREAS, Division III, its Flotillas and entire personnel cooperate closely with the National Auxiliary and the United States Coast Guard, and has and will continue to contribute immeasurably to the welfare of Mississippi, its citizens and visitors; have earned the gratitude and respect of all boatmen and the public generally, and they should be recognized, supported, cooperated with and congratulated for their inestimable contributions to this State; and

WHEREAS, I urge that all public and privately-owned craft be inspected by the personnel of the respective Flotillas so that the craft may earn and proudly carry the safe boating decal:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition and acclamation of said Division III and its personnel under the able leadership of Captain J. Kevin Mitchell, do hereby proclaim October 2, 1968, to October 2, 1969, as

U. S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, DIVISION III YEAR

in Mississippi, and express the gratitude, support, recognition and congratulations of the State of Mississippi to its courageous members who serve boatmen and the general public throughout every year.

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 second day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, since its organization on May 25, 1898, has diligently worked for community improvement, for national and state legislation beneficial to education, libraries, youth guidance and protection, conservation of natural resources, improvement of political and social status of women, and other activities contributing to community, state and national betterment; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs offers opportunities for continuing education, friendship, fellowship and vast phases of community service to the members; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs is currently sponsoring "The Mississippian for Educational Television Committee" and a "Buy and Wear Cotton" campaign; and

WHEREAS, the member clubs of the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs will observe the month of October, 1968, as Clubwoman's month to commemorate the seventieth anniversary year of the Federation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1968, as

MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS MONTH

in recognition of the services this organization in its seventy years has rendered to the State of Mississippi.

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 twenty-sixth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
MISSISSIPPI
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JACKSON

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the nation owes a great debt to the beef cattle industry for supplying a large proportion of many essential food nutrients; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi enjoy the many benefits from a continuous and wholesome supply of beef produced in this state; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi beef cattle producers sold $145.5 million worth of cattle and calves in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is the leading producer of beef east of the Mississippi River, and Mississippi is the ninth ranking state in the United States in the production of beef cows; and

WHEREAS, beef cattle sales represented 17.6% of the total sales of farm commodities in Mississippi in 1987:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim and set aside the month of October, 1988, as

BEef CATTLE INDUSTRY MONTH

in Mississippi as a special salute to this important industry in our State.

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 twenty-fifth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, October 15 is observed as National Poetry Day throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, poetry is a reflection of the beauty of the universe captured on the canvas of the human mind; and in this age of conflict, poetry tends to elevate the souls of men and make them more cognizant of the hand of God, who wills that the road of all man be one of peace; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi joins with her sister states in urging all citizens to observe in a fitting manner Poetry Day on October 15, 1968, in the great Magnolia State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim October 15, 1968, as POETRY DAY

in Mississippi.

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 Capital in the City of Jackson this twenty-fourth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, September 17, 1968, marks the one hundred and eightieth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 1787; and

WHEREAS, our constitutional form of government has withstood the test of time, and the threats of conspiracy, and yet stands commonly young and vigorous; and

WHEREAS, in this world of many changes -- some of which endanger the rights of free men -- it is imperative that all our citizens be aware of the acts and events that lead to the adoption of the Constitution and of the amendments that have subsequently proved its indispensability, thereby creating a better understanding and appreciation of the basic principles upon which this Nation was founded and by which it lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September 17, 1968, as

CITIZENSHIP DAY

and I urge State, county and local officials, as well as all religious, civic, educational and other organizations to hold appropriate ceremonies on that day to inspire all of our citizens to pledge themselves anew to the service of their country and to the support and defense of the Constitution.

I also designate the week beginning September 17, 1968, as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and I urge the people of Mississippi to observe that week with appropriate exercises and activities in their schools, churches and other suitable places so the end that our citizens may have a better understanding of the Constitution and of the rights and responsibilities of United States citizenship.

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 twenty-sixth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]

John Bell Williams
Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Society for the Prevention of Blindness has instituted a vigorous statewide campaign for September as Sight-Saving Month; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Society is an affiliate of the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, founded in 1901, the oldest voluntary health agency nationally engaged in the prevention of blindness through a comprehensive program of community services, public and professional education, and research; and

WHEREAS, in its 50th year of saving sight, the National Society emphasizes over and over that half of all blindness, due to disease, accident, neglect or ignorance, is preventable; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for blindness, and an estimated 50,000 men, women and children in the United States will become blind before another year passes; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the September Sight-Saving Month campaign is to alert the citizens of the State to the many causes of blindness before they strike, with emphasis on the fact that early detection and treatment can correct most vision problems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September, 1968, as

SIGHT-SAVING MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all residents of the State to participate in and support the campaign.

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 tenth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is engaged in a continuous road building program destined to give its citizens and visitors the safest, most efficient transportation system available; and

WHEREAS, the dependency of the State's economy on its Interstate, Primary and Secondary highways has been clearly established; and

WHEREAS, the direct benefits to the highway user of the construction of adequate highways are recognized to exceed their cost; and, in addition, the consequent upgrading of property values, creation of industrial, commercial and residential sites accessible to the roads, the reduction of human suffering by reducing accidents, and the joy and pleasure of motoring on safe, adequate highways, are all extra dividends; and

WHEREAS, the increasing need for better highways of adequate capacity to meet ever increasing traffic demands required the understanding and support of all our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of September 22-29, 1938, as HIGHWAY WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all of the citizens of this State to consider during this time the vital role of highways in their daily lives.

AS WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto 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 tenth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Mississippi State Championship Horse Show will be held at the Mississippi State Coliseum on September 19, 20 and 21, 1968, and horsemen and horse fanciers from all over the United States will gather in Jackson for this event; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Jackson Exchange Club are supporting the Mississippi State Championship Horse Show; and

WHEREAS, for the first time in Mississippi, the United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and Precision Silent Marching Team will perform, and an outstanding Jumping Horse exhibition will be presented; and

WHEREAS, any profits from the Mississippi State Championship Horse Show will be donated to worthy civic charities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of September 16, 1968, as

MISSISSIPPI STATE HORSE SHOW WEEK

in Mississippi, and sincerely urge all citizens to join me in supporting this outstanding equestrian event.

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 9th day of September, 1968.

BY THE GOVERNOR:
　GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is deeply aware that its residents are dependent, for their health, comfort and standard of living, upon an abundant supply of safe, high quality water; and

WHEREAS, the economic growth and the vital contributions of industry to the State and its people are dependent upon the continuing supply of said water; and

WHEREAS, it is of utmost importance that the people of this State be aware of the outstanding progress which has been made by the water utilities which have been serving them faithfully, twenty-four hours a day, three hundred sixty-five days a year; and

WHEREAS, The American Water Works Association, which is dedicated to advancing the knowledge of design, operation, and management of water utilities throughout the United States and Canada, has asked that a special period be designated during which each water utility will bring its message to the people; and

WHEREAS, WATER, the symbol of public water service, is present to help the utilities tell the people of their vital roles in the communities; and

WHEREAS, it is equally important that the people of this State become aware of the needs of their water utilities, and the tasks which face them in the future; and

WHEREAS, The American Water Works Association has designated the week of August 11-17, 1968, as a period during which special attention should be focused on the water utilities of the United States and Canada.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of August 11, 1968, as

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WEEK AND/OR WELLEST WATER WEEK

in Mississippi, and sincerely urge all citizens to join with me in gaining a wider understanding of the contributions, the services and the future needs of the water supply industry and, in particular, of the utilities which bring us this vital resource.

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 Capital in the City of Jackson this twelfth day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the pharmacists of the State of Mississippi are members of a vital health profession that safeguards and promotes the well-being of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, these pharmacists give of their time and talents in this specialized health service to the public, making pharmaceutical services available to all; and

WHEREAS, National Pharmacy Week, under the auspices of the American Pharmaceutical Association, will be observed nationally during the week of September 20–October 5, 1968, to draw public attention to the importance of pharmacy and pharmaceutical service in our lives; and

WHEREAS, the pharmacists of our State are participating in this annual observance:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of September 20–October 5, 1968, as

NATIONAL PHARMACY WEEK

in Mississippi and urge all our citizens to consider during this week the importance of the pharmacist, upon whose education and devotion our health and well-being so much depend.

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 seventh day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the "Our Little Miss" State Pageant in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, is sponsored by the Yolk Board of Minstrels; and

WHEREAS, the "Our Little Miss" Pageant is more than a beauty pageant; it is a Youth Development Program designed to give young ladies early goals in good grooming, social grace and scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the contestants are children of Mississippi, ages three through six in the Junior Division, and seven through twelve in the "Our Little Miss" Division; and

WHEREAS, the winner of the State Pageant in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, will go to Dallas, Texas, for the World's "Our Little Miss":

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of August 1988 as

MISSISSIPPI'S OUR LITTLE MISS DAYS

and urge our citizens to cooperate with this worthy program.

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 eighteenth day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

To the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, July 4, 1776, is the most memorable epoch in the history of America for it was on this date that the thirteen original colonies created by their Declaration of Independence this Republic; and

WHEREAS, by statute the 4th day of July of each year has been designated as a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Thursday, July 4, 1968, as a public and legal holiday in Mississippi, and do hereby authorize and empower all officers and employees of the State of Mississippi to close their respective offices on Thursday, July 4, 1968, INDEPENDENCE DAY, and on Friday, July 5, 1968, in further observance thereof; provided, however, if the Legislature is in session on July 5, 1968, all offices in the Capitol Building will remain open during that session.

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 twenty-fourth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, each year more and more Mississippians go boating in their leisure hours; and if we are to prevent the needless loss of life and property, this increasing traffic on our waterways must be accompanied by greater awareness of safe boating practices; and

WHEREAS, the principal agent of boating accidents last year was a careless operator; the most common errors were overloading or improper loading of small boats — mistakes easily avoided by the boatowner who understands his boat, its machinery and its operation; and

WHEREAS, an aggressive and comprehensive program of safety education — supported, where necessary, by law enforcement — can reduce the rate of boating accidents, and make boating in Mississippi what it should be: a purely pleasant recreation for our residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Congress of the United States, by a joint resolution approved June 4, 1958 (72 Stat. 179), requesting to the President of the United States of America to proclaim annually the week which includes July 4 as National Safe Boating Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week beginning June 30, 1968, as

SAFE BOATING WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 twenty-eighth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the history of this Nation is such that all Americans can proudly affirm the heritage which is theirs; and

WHEREAS, the principles upon which this Nation was founded are as valid today as when they were first articulated by the statesmen who so ably started this young Country on its way; and

WHEREAS, positive, productive Patriotism means not only the memory of past greatness but an interest in current issues and events, which is the mark of a true patriot; and

WHEREAS, all American citizens should take every opportunity to familiarize themselves with the achievements of their Nation in the past and at the present:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of October 12 to 19, 1968, as PATRIOTIC EDUCATION WEEK throughout this State, and urge my fellow Mississippians to join in the observance by taking an interest in America actively participating in the affairs of the Nation.

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 eleventh day of July in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, many of the citizens of Mississippi who have epilepsy could be enjoying full and satisfying lives were it not for lack of a general understanding of the nature of epilepsy on the part of the public; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy affects at least one out of every fifty of our children, and one out of every one hundred of our adult citizens; and

WHEREAS, the educational programs of the Mississippi Council on Epilepsy, under the guidance of their parent organization, Epilepsy Foundation of America, seeks to increase general understanding of the disorder, thus removing the barriers which prejudice and mistaken beliefs have placed before our citizens with epilepsy:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of July as

EPILEPSY INFORMATION MONTH

in Mississippi, and I urge all our citizens to take the little time that is required to become acquainted with the general facts about epilepsy, and to encourage a more enlightened attitude about the disorder.

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 twelfth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Sheriff of Adams County, Mississippi, and the Mayor of the City of Natchez, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence or incite riots, mobs, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them in the City of Natchez and County of Adams, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1964, particularly Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the Sheriff of Adams County, Mississippi, and the Mayor of the City of Natchez, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1964, being Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 1st day of June, A. D., 1968.

[Signature]

LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, The Twentieth Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo will be held in the City of Gulfport on July 4-7, 1968, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, this great sporting event has proved to be a recreational attraction of national and international prominence; and

WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi are desirous of becoming better acquainted with the people of other states of our Nation and our good neighbors in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, this giant sport fishing event is provided for the recreation and pleasure of our citizens and those of the United States and neighboring Latin American Republics; and

WHEREAS, in the year of 1964-65 the Legislature and the Governor of the sovereign State of Mississippi did by official act designate the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo as the Official Sport Fishing Classic for the State of Mississippi, and by joint resolution granted this Giant Sport Fishing Classic a citation memorializing said activities as beneficial to the State of Mississippi as a tourist attraction and the furthering of Mississippi's natural sport fishing resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the days of July 4, 5, 6 and 7, 1968, as MISSISSIPPI DEEP SEA FISHING RODEO DAYS

and do hereby urge all Mississippians and Americans who are interested in clean, wholesome and invigorating sports, particularly the sport of fishing, to come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast for this event; and I do hereby request as many of our people as possible to participate.

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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is rapidly gaining favor throughout the Nation as a State which has wide and varied appeal for tourists and vacationers, and with this growing tourist and recreation business adding to the general welfare and prosperity of the State; and

WHEREAS, the further development of this potential $500,000,000 annual industry is of paramount importance to the State and to the continued prosperity of our people; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Agricultural and Industrial Board is conducting an aggressive program to encourage citizens of other states to visit Mississippi and enjoy its many historic, scenic and recreational attractions; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi, its communities and its people have inherited an attitude of friendliness and hospitality from their forefathers, these attributes having a place of primary importance in making our visitors feel at home while within our borders and our continuing friends after their departure:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1968, as

HOSPITALITY MONTH

in Mississippi, and urge all Mississippi communities, our people, the various organizations of the State and local and State officials to take part in the programs and activities which have been planned for this period to the end that the entire Nation may come to realize that a 'Mississippi Welcome' is the best kind of welcome there is.

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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi  
Executive Department  
Jackson  

A PROCLAMATION  

BY THE  
GOVERNOR  

WHEREAS, Civil Defense Preparedness is the joint effort and responsibility of the people and its government, at all levels, national, state and local, in close coordination, for the security and protection of all people; and  

WHEREAS, Civil Defense, under the direction of the head of local government, prepares and trains the people to face the threat of nuclear emergencies, particularly the effects of radioactive fallout; and  

WHEREAS, no other system of government has the capabilities in the event of major fires, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes or any other natural disaster to protect life and property and relieve suffering of the people; and  

WHEREAS, Civil Defense strives to create the sense of duty of the individual to cooperate in the assistance and security of all, so that all may contribute to the assistance and security of the individual; and  

WHEREAS, Civil Defense represents one of the most significant and beneficial activities for mankind survival in this difficult era in which we live:  

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John B. Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of June 1968, as  

CIVIL DEFENSE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH  

in Mississippi, and urge all departments and agencies of the State of Mississippi, the counties, municipalities, and all civic, professional, cultural and business entities to cooperate with local governments and Civil Defense officials and to participate in the emergency preparedness activities in the communities during this month and in the future to insure that the meaning and significance of Civil Defense Emergency Preparedness reaches all of the people of this State.  

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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.  

[Signature]  
GOVERNOR  

By the Governor:  

[Signature]  
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, throughout American history, the Merchant Marine has been indispensable to our security and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, today, our merchant fleet binds us in peaceful commerce with the increasingly interdependent nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, in this decade alone, our imports and exports have risen nearly 60 percent -- from less than $35 billion in 1960 to $55 billion in 1966; and

WHEREAS, merchant ships carry the essentials of life to millions in need and have transported more than 20 million tons of food, weapons and supplies to our fighting men in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, to remind Americans of the important role which the merchant marine plays in our national life, the Congress in 1933 designated the anniversary of the first transatlantic voyage by a steamship, the SS Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually in observance of that day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 22, 1968, as

MARITIME DAY

in Mississippi, and do hereby urge the people of the State of Mississippi to honor our American Merchant Marine on May 22, 1968, by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places.

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 twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the small businessmen in this State, along with small businessmen throughout the Nation, actively perpetuate the open and competitive marketplace so vital to our free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, small firms have always been a fountain of personal independence and advancement of living standards among our people; and

WHEREAS, the Nation now has more than five million small businesses, turning out more than one-third of our goods and services and providing almost 40 percent of the total employment; and

WHEREAS, small businesses offer job opportunities for job seekers of all races and all creeds; and

WHEREAS, small businessmen are recognized as leaders in the social and economic development of their own communities; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are the source of many innovations in products and merchandizing:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week of May 12 - 18, 1963, as

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

in the State of Mississippi, and call upon the chambers of commerce, industrial and commercial organizations, boards of trade and other public and private organizations to participate in ceremonies recognizing the contribution made by the small businessmen of this State to the progress and well-being of all our people.

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 eighth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
Helen F. Ladner
Secretary of State
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

JACKSON

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the fundamental duty of all law enforcement officers is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality, and justice; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi law enforcement officers constantly maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; exercise self-restraint; and are constantly mindful of the welfare of others, with no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals; and

WHEREAS, the peace officers of the State of Mississippi have maintained these ideals under the most trying conditions, with no regard for their own safety or well-being and without any equivocation or reservations; realizing that the strength of a society rests in its laws, through a fair and impartial application of those laws for the preservation of dignity, order and the protection of lives and property of all citizens. The law enforcement officers of this state have shown without exception that they recognize their badge of office as a symbol of public faith and have accepted it as a public trust:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week of May 13-19, 1969, as MISSISSIPPI LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS APPRECIATION WEEK throughout the State, and call upon all citizens to join in recognition of these public servants through appropriate ceremonies, programs and educational activities. I especially urge that schools, churches, the courts, civic and service clubs, and the media of public information participate.

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 ninth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, women play an increasingly greater part in the Insurance Industry throughout our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Insurance Women (International) now has a membership of 14,000; and

WHEREAS, these women deserve commendation and recognition for their outstanding accomplishments in this important field:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 19 through May 25, 1968, as

NATIONAL INSURANCE WOMEN'S WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge our citizens to pay proper tribute to the women who are performing such important services throughout the Insurance Industry in Mississippi.

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 Capital in the City of Jackson this seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, National Nursing Home Week will be observed during the week of May 12-18, 1963; and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of a nursing home is to cushion as far as medical science is capable the jarring impact of the physical discomforts that accompany advancing years; and

WHEREAS, the chronically ill and aged are provided with professional skilled nursing care that can only be had in a qualified, licensed nursing home; and

WHEREAS, those in the nursing homes, in addition to skilled nursing care, enjoy companionship with others in congenial atmosphere, as well as occupational and physical therapy; and

WHEREAS, the nursing homes provide a sense of security knowing that they will get the necessary care and not be a financial burden on the family because the cost is much below that of a hospital;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 12 - 18, 1963, as

NURSING HOME WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to cooperate with the Mississippi Nursing Home Association in the observance of this special week.

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 seventh day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, called home on May 7, 1968, from her earthly labors the Head of State of our neighbor State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi and her citizens are saddened at the death of The Honorable Lurleen B. Wallace, Governor of the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, this distinguished daughter of Alabama has earned for herself a firm and lasting place in the history of Alabama through her unfaltering devotion to duty and constant sacrifice to conviction as Governor of Alabama where her efforts were always expended for our Nation's highest welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a great and good servant of our neighboring State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Governor Lurleen B. Wallace of Alabama, I direct that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half-staff from May 7, 1968, until interment, on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction and control; and further, pursuant to authority of Presidential Proclamation No. 3044, the flag of the United States of America shall be flown at half-staff on all State buildings and grounds concurrently.

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 seventh day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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Governor

By the Governor:
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Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, transportation forms a vital and essential link in the commerce of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, carriers by rail, motor truck, vessels and aircraft carriers, through the investment of enormous sums of private capital, have developed a national transportation system for the benefit of business superior to that in any other Nation of the world; and

WHEREAS, the transportation performed by rail, motor truck, vessel and aircraft carriers has been a primary factor in the growth and development of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 12-18, 1963, as

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

in the State of Mississippi.

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 third day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Sheriff of Quitman County, Mississippi, and the Mayor of the City of Marks, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riots or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence or incite mobs, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them in the City of Marks and County of Quitman, Mississippi, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1904, particularly Paragraph 9 of Section 5082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the Sheriff of Quitman County, Mississippi, and the Mayor of the City of Marks, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1904, being Section 5082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 5082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 1st day of May, A. D., 1908.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
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Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the basis of life itself is in the Soil and Water resources which are our gifts from God; and

WHEREAS, all of us have a steward's responsibility for these God-given natural resources; and

WHEREAS, there are many critical issues today bearing on resources—namely, the urgent demands for food, water and recreational areas brought on by increasing populations; concern for better environments and the need to plan wisely for the future and on a broad base, considering all interests, and for multiple-use if possible; and

WHEREAS, the cooperation and initiative of all citizens is solicited in making resource decisions, as well as in protecting our resources, and in supporting the programs of the State Soil Conservation Committee, the soil conservation districts and other groups engaged in this activity:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 19-26, 1963, as

SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens, civic, religious and farm groups, public officials, schools, the press, radio, television and others, to focus attention on the importance of Soil and Water Conservation in Mississippi's economy, which, despite increased industrialization, remains dependent upon agriculture and God's gracious gifts.

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 twenty-ninth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

John Bell Williams
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the full measure of truly dedicated American citizenship is expressed through each citizen’s constant devotion to the principles of our inherited freedoms and his readiness to defend this Nation against all enemies; and

WHEREAS, the unity and the security of our Nation are today challenged by various influences seeking to undermine and to destroy freedom around the world; and

WHEREAS, such threats to the American way of life can best be counteracted through forthright patriotic reaffirmation by all of our truly loyal citizens who are dedicated to the firm defense of our Nation, at all costs and throughout every State of the Union;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 1, 1968, as

LOYALTY DAY

in the State of Mississippi, and I urge every individual, school, church, organization, business establishment and household within the State vigorously to reaffirm positive allegiance to our Flag and Country, through active participation in public programs sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its co-sponsors on LOYALTY DAY.

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 twenty-sixth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, physical fitness is important to every citizen and helps us to grow, develop and enjoy life more fully; and

WHEREAS, physical fitness is necessary for development and maintenance of organic power; and

WHEREAS, exercise is a primary factor in keeping physically fit; and

WHEREAS, we realize the effect that automation is having on the physical fitness of our citizens, young and old alike; and

WHEREAS, stress on this important problem has many times been lost in the maze of conflicting problems which face us in these turbulent times; and

WHEREAS, a reassessment is needed immediately by all Mississippians in the important matter of physical fitness of their bodies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim May 1, 1968, as PHYSICAL FITNESS DAY.

in Mississippi, and urge that every citizen use that day to emphasize the importance of putting fitness back into the lives of every Mississippian.

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 twenty-sixth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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By the Governor:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, people in Mississippi through their foresight seek to provide high quality hospital services and facilities for the needs of all Mississippi citizens; and

WHEREAS, hospital personnel join representatives of government and private agencies in order to improve the health of our citizens and to implement new health programs; and

WHEREAS, hospitals serve as teaching institutions for Mississippi citizens in health and related vocations and conduct educational programs to create and upgrade jobs for people of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, hospital based personnel are active in research to prevent and cure illnesses of people; and

WHEREAS, persons of the highly skilled hospital staff, as well as volunteers, contribute in a specific and personal way to the care of patients -- a hospital is people caring for people:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate the week of May 12-18, 1968, as MISSISSIPPI HOSPITAL WEEK

and salute Mississippi hospitals for their contributions to the public health and welfare, for high standards of care, and for educational and research programs that each year raise these standards to a higher level.

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 thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the American Welding Society was founded in 1919 for the purpose of advancing the science and art of welding and its allied processes; and

WHEREAS, there are at present approximately 18,700 American Welding Society members across the nation in more than one hundred sections; and

WHEREAS, the Passagoula Section of the American Welding Society was chartered twenty-six years ago and now has one hundred twenty members, of which all except five reside in Mississippi, and this section, with its jurisdiction, encompasses over two-thirds of the state; and

WHEREAS, the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation was the fore-runner in all-welded ship design and construction and has maintained a position as leader in many areas of welding in shipbuilding; and

WHEREAS, the art of welding is progressing to a science mainly because of the efforts of such organizations as the American Welding Society; and

WHEREAS, welding and similar processes have contributed significantly to the economic progress of our state; and

WHEREAS, the American Welding Society and its affiliated state organizations have established the month of April as National Welded Products Month during which the importance of welding is emphasized throughout the nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April 1966 as

WELDED PRODUCTS MONTH

in Mississippi.

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 twenty-ninth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, citizens of Mississippi have selflessly served as members of U. S. Army Reserve units for many years, answering the call to active duty during two world wars, the Korean conflict and the Berlin crisis, many sacrificing their lives for the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, these citizen-soldiers continue to give up weekends, vacations and evenings to maintain a high state of readiness so that they will be prepared when called upon to defend this Nation; and

WHEREAS, these citizen-soldiers of the U. S. Army Reserve are observing their 50th anniversary on April 23, 1968, and the people of this state owe so much to these patriotic fellow citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of April 21-27 as

U. S. ARMY RESERVE WEEK

and call upon all citizens of Mississippi to join in a tribute to the U. S. Army Reserve citizen-soldiers of this state who are giving so much of themselves so that this country will remain strong.

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 twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the efficient functioning of modern society is largely dependent upon effective communication, and the modern methods of communication have come more and more to rest in the hands of our office secretaries; and

WHEREAS, the increasing amount of communications inherent in our complex society has made it necessary for today's secretary not only to acquire technical skills for the use of office machines and the taking of dictation, but also to assume the responsibility for countless details in the operation of a business; and

WHEREAS, today's secretary must have at her command tact, diplomacy and many other attributes so necessary to the increasing role she plays in good public relations for her employer; and

WHEREAS, the important contribution made by secretaries in the economic and governmental life of our country has been recognized by establishing the last week in April as Secretaries Week, and Wednesday, April 24, 1968, has been designated as Secretaries Day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 21 through April 27, 1968, as

SECRETARIES WEEK

and Wednesday, April 24, 1968, as

SECRETARIES DAY

in Mississippi, and I urge all citizens to recognize and pay tribute to the efforts made by our secretaries in the operation of industry, the professions and government, all of which have made them truly silent partners in American business.

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 tenth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

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GOVERNOR

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Secretary of State
WHEREAS, there exists a great demand for dietitians in our country and there is great need for training young people to meet this shortage; and

WHEREAS, dietitians employed in hospitals, nursing homes, universities and colleges, school lunch, public health, and scientific research make many contributions to the health and well-being of the state; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for combating nutrition misinformation as well as a need for teaching good basic nutrition; and

WHEREAS, the 110 members of the Mississippi Dietetic Association have planned for related activities to coincide with Nutrition Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell William, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 14-20, 1968, as

NUTRITION WEEK

in Mississippi and urge the people of Mississippi to observe the week with activities to increase public understanding and awareness for the well-being of the citizens of Mississippi.

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 first day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
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WHEREAS, industrial development benefits all the citizens of Mississippi by providing gainful employment, by stimulating sales of services and raw materials, by raising tax revenues, and by improving the general economic level of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi always welcome the opportunity to become better informed about the types of industry in their communities, the products produced by their fellow citizens who work in Mississippi industry, and the potential for further development of their resources; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Mississippi communities are interested in facts about the industrial payroll dollars in their city, the amount of taxes paid by their industries, and the many social and cultural contributions made to the community by the industries and the people who work in these industries; and

WHEREAS, all citizens would welcome the opportunity to show appreciation to the industries which provide these many jobs and benefits:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6-12, 1968, as

INDUSTRY APPRECIATION WEEK

throughout Mississippi; and do call on all citizens, organizations and businesses to render every assistance and cooperation to the observance of this week of special events and appreciation.

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 fifth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, May 1, 1968, has been set aside by joint resolution of Congress and by proclamation of the President as Law Day USA; and

WHEREAS, this day is observed throughout the land to acknowledge our country’s heritage of justice under law, and to remind Americans that the rule of law, in accordance to each citizen individual freedom and justice, places upon him attendant duties and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Law Day this year is: Only A Lawful Society can build A Better Society. This theme emphasizes that obedience to the processes of law, whether manifested in our courts or other organs of government, is fundamental to the achievement of responsible government, and that crime and violence, under whatever name, are no means to progress; and

WHEREAS, we should, therefore, reaffirm on this Law Day our dedication to the rule of law, and pledge, as citizens, to uphold the law and to support our law enforcement agencies and courts in the performance of their difficult duties. We should rededicate ourselves to the task of passing this rich heritage on to young Americans by teaching them in the home, the school, and the church the rights and obligations of citizenship in a nation where law, not men, is supreme;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate Wednesday, May 1, 1968, as

Law Day USA.

throughout this State, and call upon all citizens to join in its observance through appropriate ceremonies, programs and educational activities. I especially urge the schools, churches, the courts, civic and service clubs, and the media of public information, to participate.

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

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson this eighth day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, the Sheriffs of Claiborne, Hinds, Lafayette, Laflour and Marshall counties, Mississippi, the Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and the peace officers duly appointed by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the universities and colleges, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, riot or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence or incite riots, mobs, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them in their respective counties, have requested the Governor of the State of Mississippi to invoke the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1964, particularly Paragraph 9 of Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, in the Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the aforesaid officials lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

Now, therefore, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this proclamation, and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 324, Mississippi Laws of 1964, being Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8082, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, as amended.

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 5th day of April, A. D., 1968.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, pharmacists and other health professionals have been concerned about the misuse and abuse of the multitude of household products and medicines introduced each year; and

WHEREAS, when they are not used as intended or directed, many of these substances are causing poisonings, sometimes fatal, among our children and young adults; and

WHEREAS, these unfortunate occurrences could be prevented if parents and the adult population simply will become aware of the potential hazards of these substances:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 17-23, 1968, as

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in Mississippi. Further, I direct the appropriate agencies of the State Government, and invite local governments and organizations, to initiate and take part in coordinated activities which will alert the people of our State to the hazards of accidental poisoning and the need for implementing measures which will protect our future citizens.

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 sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
Governor

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the international youth movement the Order of DeMolay is observing its 49th anniversary on March 16; and

WHEREAS, DeMolay is a character-building organization dedicated to the purposes of helping young men 14-21 years of age to become better sons, better citizens and better leaders; and

WHEREAS, the youth group is well-known for its charitable projects, community services and healthy social activities and for providing our young men with the desire for realizing greater goals and achievements; and

WHEREAS, recognition should be given to the many contributions made by DeMolay toward its guiding influence in the molding of today's young men for a better world of peace and brotherhood tomorrow:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16-22, 1963, as DeMolay Week

in Mississippi in honor of DeMolay's meritorious service towards the communities, state and nation and by the authority invested with me do urge all citizens of Mississippi to pay suitable tribute.

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 nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Governor

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, 1,400,000 Americans have been cured of cancer -- are now alive and well; and

WHEREAS, these persons are living proof that this disease is curable when detected and treated early; and

WHEREAS, many, many more could be saved by existing methods of treatment, if their cancers were detected at an early stage and treated promptly; and

WHEREAS, the AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY is conducting a five-year educational program to drastically reduce unnecessary deaths from cancer; and

WHEREAS, the Society has selected six sites of cancer, representing over sixty per cent of all cancer cases diagnosed and some forty-eight per cent of all cancer deaths, for special educational emphasis; and

WHEREAS, these sites of cancer -- uterus, breast, lung, colon and rectum, oral cavity and skin -- accounted for nearly one hundred fifty thousand deaths in 1967, many of them due to lack of personal responsibility and personal vigilance; and

WHEREAS, the AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY during April will conduct an intensive education and fund-raising Crusade, having as its theme, "IT MAKES SENSE TO KNOW THE SEVEN WARNING SIGNALS OF CANCER, AND IT MAKES SENSE TO GIVE TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim April, 1968, as CANCER CONTROL MONTH

in Mississippi and urge every citizen of the State to observe and participate in Cancer Control Month by learning cancer's warning signals, acting on them, having an annual health checkup, and contributing to the very important work of the American Cancer Society.

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 thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor: 

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, people in every county of the State of Mississippi are served by the neighborly, humanitarian services of the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, as a voluntary agency, one of the first responsibilities of the Red Cross is assistance to servicemen, veterans and their families in personal and family problems; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War has triggered a sharp upsurge in Red Cross services to the Armed Forces, veterans and their families, which accounts for one third of the annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross will spend $47.4 million in the current fiscal year on the military programs, which will serve one of every three U. S. servicemen in some way in 1968; and

WHEREAS, skilled and experienced volunteers in Red Cross Chapters augmented where needed by disaster staff from the National organization, use these skills and the necessary financial and material aid to assist families who are victims of floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, fires and other natural catastrophes; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross in Mississippi is engaged in the training of thousands of citizens in health and safety skills for their own protection and that of their families in time of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross nationally is appealing for $121,624,000 in voluntary contributions to "Support our Servicemen" in Vietnam and to carry on its services which benefit every person in Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby designate March, 1968, as

RED CROSS MONTH

in Mississippi, and I urge that in these times of major emphasis on strengthening of the military forces and homefront defenses, every citizen give fullest possible support to their Red Cross in its 1968 Fund Campaign, that this humanitarian organization may adequately meet its defense and normal community responsibilities.

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 twelfth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second,

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, Mississippi is justifiably proud of the Mississippi Economic Council, the State Chamber of Commerce, and all local chambers of commerce across this great State; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Economic Council and these organizations have taken an active and integral part in this State's development, and the more than twenty-five thousand business and professional men and women affiliated with these volunteer organizations have been in the forefront of every worthwhile civic project undertaken in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Economic Council and local chambers of commerce have championed the free enterprise system, encouraged private initiative and provided the organizational framework necessary to make the business community an effective partner in our civic, cultural, economic and educational activities. And, further, those of us in government have benefited by the counsel of these business organizations when matters of common interest have been under consideration:

NOW, THEREFORE, in appreciation of the contributions made by the State Chamber of Commerce and the one hundred and four local chambers of commerce in our State, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of March 24-30, 1968, as

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK

in Mississippi, and in issuing this proclamation, call upon all our citizens, organizations and institutions to recognize this special week and to join in its observance.

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 6th day of March, A.D., 1968.

John Bell Williams

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi realize that as citizens they have an interest in the condition, use and future plans for all public lands; and

WHEREAS, such lands occur under the jurisdiction of local, county, state and federal governments which represent the people; and

WHEREAS, the need for wise use of these public lands for recreation, wildlife, and other benefits can be fostered by citizen interest and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, the future needs for natural resources and recreation to meet a growing demand and population is dependent on wise land use planning today; and

WHEREAS, the period March 17-23, and the balance of 1968, will be observed throughout the Nation as a time to remind the American people that "This is Your Land" to own, enjoy and care for:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the period of March 17-23, 1968, as

NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK

in Mississippi.

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 sixth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi and her citizens are saddened at the passing of Dr. Archie L. Gray, State Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, the death of Dr. Gray, Executive Officer of the State Board of Health, has deprived our State of the services of an able and accomplished leader in the field of public health; and

WHEREAS, this dedicated public official has earned for himself, by his distinguished record of service, a lasting place in the annals of our history:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in tribute to the memory of a faithful servant of our State, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi; and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Dr. Archie L. Gray, I authorize the Heads of all Departments and Agencies to close their offices on the date of his funeral, Wednesday, March 6, 1968, in order that their employees may attend the funeral services, and that the flag of the State of Mississippi shall be flown at half staff from March 5 until after his funeral on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction and control.

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 fifth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and Sixty-Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the One hundred and Ninety-Second.

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GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the inventive genius of Thomas Alva Edison has
immeasurably advanced the frontiers of American science and the welfare
of all mankind, and, by creating industries employing millions of people,
has added greatly to the technology upon which America's pre-eminence
largely rests; and

WHEREAS, the state of the world reveals that this nation needs
to maintain a strong scientific position; and

WHEREAS, in this age of limitless scientific horizons, our Country's
need for men inspired by the example of Edison has never been more urgent; and

WHEREAS, the motivation of more young Americans toward careers in
science, and the removal of barriers to careers in scientific fields, are
vital in meeting this need for scientific manpower:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim February 11, 1963, the occasion of Thomas
Alva Edison's 121st birthday, as

EDISON SCIENCE YOUTH DAY

a day on which the citizens of this State will do honor to the inspiring
heritage of America's great inventive genius, Thomas Alva Edison, and will
lend full support to all activities which dramatize to youth the unique
challenges of science and invention in today's expanding universe; and urge
the people of this State, and its schools, teachers, parents, industries
and civic organizations to encourage youth to take advantage of the great
opportunities of modern science and technology.

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 fifth day of February
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-eight and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
ninety-second.

By the Governor:

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, since the beginning of time, fire has been of tremendous benefit to mankind. It has warmed his homes, cooked his food, helped provide power and transportation. Yet, at the same time, fire can be a relentless enemy to man, destroying his property and sometimes taking his life; and

WHEREAS, today, fire still plays this dual role as friend and foe of man. Properly controlled, it performs a host of useful tasks. Out of control, it takes a toll of over 12,000 lives in the United States and Canada every year. Each year fire ravages property worth close to two billion dollars in our two countries; and

WHEREAS, the greatest bulwarks against this terrible cost in lives and property are the professional fire fighters, who safeguard thousands of cities and towns in the United States and Canada, as well as scores of federal installations. Their heroic efforts in the face of extreme dangers keep the toll from soaring to new and more terrifying heights; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the Fire Fighters have been extended over the years. They stress the need for fire prevention, as well as the extinguishment of fires. They constantly seek to elevate the quality of the fire service through professional training and study on the part of the men in that service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 25 through March 2, 1968, as FIRE FIGHTERS WEEK in Mississippi, so as to take official recognition to these brave and dedicated men.

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 twenty-seventh day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the peace officers duly appointed by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning for the Alcorn and Mississippi State College and the Sheriff of Claiborne County, Mississippi, on the grounds that mob violence, crimes of violence, acts and conduct of terrorism, plots or acts of intimidation, calculated to or which may provoke violence, or incite riot, acts, mob violence, which could lead to the breach of the peace and acts of intimidation or terror are anticipated by them in the Alcorn

WHEREAS, such acts or conduct, in the opinion of the Governor, would provoke violence or any of the foregoing acts or conduct, and that the peace officers for said College and the Sheriff of Claiborne County, Mississippi, lack adequate police force to prevent or suppress the same:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Boll Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me, do hereby issue this proclamation and do hereby proclaim that the powers and authority vested by Section 10, Chapter 264, Mississippi Code of 1942, being Section 8331, Mississippi Code of 1942, as amended, are hereby fully invoked, and the Department of Public Safety is hereby vested with the powers and the authority specified in Paragraph 9, Section 8332, Mississippi Code of 1942, as amended.

BY 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 20th day of February, A.D., 1968.

GOVERNOR

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE
WHEREAS, early in 1942, at a time when the future security and life of our Nation were in critical danger, the Civil Engineer Corps officers organized the Construction Battalions to provide the Navy with uniformed construction forces. Officially designated and popularly known as SEABEEs, they have established themselves firmly with the military establishment as the "Can Do" outfit; and

WHEREAS, throughout the long months of World War II nearly a quarter of a million SEABEEs worked night and day to provide roadways, airstrips, ports and shore installations which enabled the armed might of our Nation and its allies to prevail over the tremendous force of our enemies. In the Korean action as well, SEABEEs were actively engaged in stemming the tide of Communist aggression in that part of the world. SEABEEs have earned the gratitude of people in less developed nations for assistance given in Chile, Costa Rica, Central African Republic, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Ecuador and Thailand. The SEABEEs have also proven their worth in constructing and operating the "Deepfreeze" stations in Antarctica and other stations around the world. Today, in Vietnam, SEABEEs build by day and guard their camp perimeters at night; and

WHEREAS, wherever the interests of our Nation require, the knowledge and ability of the Navy's Civil Engineer Corps officers and SEABEEs are being used for the protection of the American people. Backing up those on full time active duty is a strong and vitally energetic Naval SEABEE and Civil Engineer Corps Officer Reserve, trained and ready for service to our country at any time the need arises; and

WHEREAS, on this the Twenty-Sixth Anniversary of the formation of the SEABEEs, it is fitting that we pay tribute to the gallantry and accomplishments of the Navy SEABEEs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 5, 1968, as

SEABEE DAY

in the State of Mississippi and call the attention of our citizens to the proud record of the SEABEEs and extend best wishes of all Mississippi for a most happy birthday to all active, reserve and veteran SEABEEs.

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 thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]

By the Governor

Helen Rodger

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the historical Ford's Theatre in Washington, D. C., after 103 years of darkness, has been restored and will make our Nation's Capital City brighter; and

WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting that Ford's Theatre which witnessed the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln should fill the dual role of historical museum and living theater:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim that the State of Mississippi recognize the re-opening of Ford's Theatre on February 12, 1968, as a living memorial to President Lincoln.

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 ninth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the professional hairdressers and cosmetologists of our great State have always given unselfishly of their time and talents to maintaining and enhancing the beauty of the ladies of our State; and

WHEREAS, the National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association has designated the week of February 11-17, 1968, as the 15th Annual National Beauty Salon Week, to salute the contributions of the profession of Cosmetology; and

WHEREAS, the 70,000 members of this national professional association conduct programs in our great State, and across our nation, to bring professional beauty care to women confined to hospitals, homes for the aged, and other institutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11-17, 1968, as

NATIONAL BEAUTY SALON WEEK

in Mississippi, and commend this week of charitable services to the attention of all of our citizens as a time for all of us to seek new ways to enhance the beauty of our State with the same enthusiasm that is demonstrated by the Cosmetologists of our State.

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 ninth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

John B. Wilson
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Variety Clubs of America are observing Variety Clubs' 41st Anniversary, calling national attention to the great and good work that has been done by the clubs and members across our country; and

WHEREAS, one of these chapters, the Memphis Tent, operates a Heart Research Clinic at 45 North Manassas Street, in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, its sole purpose for existence, like that of the other 40 chapters is for charity; and

WHEREAS, this charity, unlike others worthy of our attention, is devoted entirely to the care of indigent children, some three million dollars being raised annually for this purpose:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11-17, 1968, as VARIETY CLUBS ANNIVERSARY WEEK in Mississippi

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 fifth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second.

By the Governor:

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]

Secretary of State
WHEREAS, The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the
U. S. A., will observe February 16, 1968, as the Centennial Anniversary
of the Order of Elks, as a special day of celebration to be observed
throughout Elkdom; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that we take special recognition of the
Centennial date itself and join with all Elks Lodges of the State of
Mississippi in joyous celebration of this fraternity's progress, from one
Lodge of 15 men in New York City a century ago to 2100 Lodges and 1,450,000
members today; and

WHEREAS, by so honoring this Centennial, we shall manifest our
unity today as a century ago, in good fellowship, our fidelity to the
principles of Charity, Justice and Brotherly Love, our unwavering commit­
ment to the democratic ideals of one nation, under God:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of
Mississippi, do hereby proclaim February 16, 1968, as the

CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDER OF ELKS

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 fifth day of February
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-eight and of the
Independence of the United States
of America, the one hundred and
ninety-second.

By the Governor

Secretary of State
Mississippi  
Executive Department  
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, music, long the universal language, is one of the
great arts and an outstanding feature of our culture; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Federation of Music Clubs, having
as a foremost objective the promotion of American Music, will stage its
fourteenth annual "Parade of American Music" throughout the month of
February; and

WHEREAS, interest in American music and the enjoyment and
appreciation thereof should be encouraged; and

WHEREAS, the "Parade of American Music" is designed to give
our own worthy United States composers recognition, encouragement and
support, and to impress upon the public of the United States that it has
creative as well as performing musical artists and a musical culture
equal to that of other countries:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State
of Mississippi, in recognition of the American composer and in order to
encourage native creative musical art, do hereby proclaim February, 1968, as
AMERICAN MUSIC MONTH

and urge all of our citizens to join in the observance and share the joy
of music.

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 thirty-first day of January in the
year of our Lord nineteen hundred and
sixty-eight, and of the Independence of
the United States of America the one
hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, crime continues to rise in the United States, affecting the property and security of persons of all ages and stations of life; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary for all citizens to mobilize against crime, to defend vigorously the forces of law and order and become personally involved in rebuilding respect for law; and

WHEREAS, Exchange Clubs throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, guided by The National Exchange Club, have effectively sponsored National Crime Prevention Week for 26 successive years in order to make the people aware of the ever-increasing threat of lawlessness and of their responsibility to combat it;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, in recognition of efforts of Exchange Clubs in Mississippi, and to encourage cooperation with and support of law enforcement, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11 through 17, 1968, as

NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK

in Mississippi, and urge all our citizens to cooperate with and support law enforcement.

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 thirty-first day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-second.

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:
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Secretary of State
By the Governor:

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WHEREAS, during the month of February the citizens of the United States of America will be celebrating the birthdays of two resolute American patriots and famous Presidents,

GEORGE WASHINGTON AND ABRAHAM LINCOLN

WHEREAS, the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, is sponsoring February as American History Month throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming more and more important for each person of this great nation to have a true understanding of the history of these United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bell Williams, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim and declare the Month of February 1968 as

AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

in Mississippi and do call upon all organizations of whatever kind and upon public, parochial, and private schools to emphasize the study of American history during this designated month.

By stressing the great spiritual strength and wisdom our forefathers displayed, and learning more about the carefully worded documents on which our freedom is based, we contribute to a greater American scope for future generations.

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 twenty-sixth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninety-second.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
Secretary of State
Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the period of May 5 through 12, 1968, will mark the
49th annual observance of National Music Week; and

WHEREAS, music is a vital part of the culture of every civilized
nation; and the people of the United States are proving themselves to be a
great music-producing and music-loving nation; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon all of us to join together to advance
the cause of music as an art and harmonious force, and to extend the radius of
its influence among nations, groups and individually; and

WHEREAS, the pursuit of music, whether it be through study, composing,
listening or performing is a rich and enduring experience; and

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Music Clubs through National
Music Week provides an opportunity for the organized musical forces of the
country, as well as religious, educational and civic groups, to join music
lovers in emphasizing the joys and pleasures to be gained from making music;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles L. Sullivan, Lieutenant and Acting
Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5
through 12, 1968, to be

NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK

in Mississippi and urge every citizen in every community to participate in
making music; to foster a deeper appreciation for musical talent; and to
encourage with interest and enthusiasm the music programs offered in special
events arranged for this week.

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 fourth day of April
in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and sixty-eight and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
ninety-second.

CHARLES L. SULLIVAN
LIEUTENANT AND ACTING GOVERNOR

By the Lieutenant and Acting Governor:

Helen Boden,
Secretary of State
WHEREAS, it has been made known to me that a vacancy exists in the representation in the United States Congress of the Third Congressional District of the State of Mississippi, created by the resignation of Congressman John Bell Williams:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Mississippi, under the provisions of House Bill No. 19 of the Regular 1968 Legislative Session, I do hereby issue this Writ of Election and I do hereby set the 27th day of February, 1968, being the Fourth Tuesday of February, as the date on which an election shall be held in Warren, Hinds, Claiborne, Copiah, Jefferson, Lincoln, Franklin, Adams, Wilkinson, Amite, Pike and Walthall Counties, Mississippi, to elect to the House of Representatives of the United States Congress a Representative of the Third Congressional District of the State of Mississippi.

Said special election shall be held in accordance with Section 3296, Mississippi Code of 1942, Recompiled, and notice thereof shall be given in accordance with House Bill No. 19, Regular Session of 1968. Candidates shall qualify pursuant to House Bill No. 19, Regular Session of 1968.

The State Board of Election Commissioners and the Election Commissioners of each county within the Third Congressional District will govern themselves accordingly.

DONE at the City of Jackson, in the State of Mississippi, on this 16th day of January, A.D., 1968.