

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 849**

**WHEREAS**, our great Nation has experienced today unspeakable acts of terror and evil that are without precedent in our land; and,

**WHEREAS**, thousands of citizens of our good and generous country perished or suffered grievous harm from the destruction of the World Trade Center in New York and the attack on the Pentagon in our Nation's capital; and,

**WHEREAS**, we mourn this unfathomable loss, suffered by so many, whose horrific echo will forever haunt our land; and,

**WHEREAS**, the spiritual strength of our Nation's people and the resilience of our noble institutions and way of life must sustain us in this time of trial; and,

**WHEREAS**, this State wishes to express its genuine sorrow upon this profoundly solemn occasion;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ronnie Musgrove, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order all flags of the United States of America and the State of Mississippi be flown at half-mast on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction until further notice.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand and one, and of the two hundred and twenty-fifth year of the United States of America.

**RONNIE MUSGROVE**  
**GOVERNOR**

**BY THE GOVERNOR**

**SECRETARY OF STATE**