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To the Mississippi Minority Enterprise Development

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to extend greetings to all in attendance at the Mississippi Minority Enterprise Development Awards Reception and Banquet. Welcome to the beautiful and friendly City of Jackson, the capitol of this great State of Mississippi.

It is an honor to welcome the Mississippi Minority Enterprise Development. I commend you for your diligence, determination and commitment to pursuing entrepreneurial endeavors and improving the economic future for our state. It is through the hard work and dedication of organizations like yours, that Mississippi will become "America's State of Promise" and will continue to improve the quality of life for our citizens.

Best wishes for a very successful and highly productive meeting. If I may be of assistance to you, please feel free to call on me.

Very truly yours,

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