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Dear Michael:

Thank you for your letter. Throughout my political career, there have been many memorable moments and it is difficult to choose just one moment. While I have been Governor, we have accomplished many of the goals that I set for Mississippi. Teacher pay raise has been raised from forty-ninth to nineteenth in the nation and we were able to secure Nissan's newest manufacturing plant in Canton, Mississippi.

Two of the people that I admire are Harry S. Truman and Waverly Wray. Both men showed courage in the face of hardship and sacrificed for our country. My advice to you, whether you play baseball or go into politics, is to stand up for what you believe, always work hard, and strive for excellence.

If I may ever be of assistance in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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