STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 3-3-7, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day are declared legal holidays in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, during the Thanksgiving holiday and Christmas and New Year's season, many state employees will spend time with their families in Mississippi and in other states;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution of the State of Mississippi and applicable statutes of the State of Mississippi, do hereby authorize the closing of all offices of the State of Mississippi on Thursday, November 22, 2012, in observance of THANKSGIVING DAY; on Tuesday, December 25, 2012, in observance of CHRISTMAS DAY; and on Tuesday, January 1, 2013, in observance of NEW YEAR'S DAY.

IN ADDITION, I hereby authorize the executive officers of all state agencies, in their discretion after considering the interests of the people of the State of Mississippi and the staffing needs of their respective agencies, to close all offices of the State of Mississippi on Friday, November 23, 2012, in further observance of the Thanksgiving holiday; on Monday, December 24, 2012, in further observance of Christmas; and on Monday, December 31, 2012, in further observance of the New Year; and to staff their respective agencies as needed during the Thanksgiving holiday and Christmas and New Year's season.

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 the 23rd day of October in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-seventh.

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

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