STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, throughout our country's history, the people of our great state and nation have worked together to ensure the preservation of the American ideals of freedom and liberty we enjoy today; and

WHEREAS, understanding American history and America's first principles are indispensable to the survival of our republic as a free people; and

WHEREAS, in great reverence to the victims of the attacks on September 11, 2001, and recognition of the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787, all American citizens must take time to honor the first principles, founders, documents and symbols of their history to ensure that each generation is equipped to preserve our liberty and freedom:

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim September 11-17, 2016, as

PATRIOT WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and encourage all Mississippians to renew their appreciation and understanding of America's spirit and reflect on the importance of patriotism to America's past, present and future.



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 8th day of August in the year of our Lord, two thousand and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-first.

PHIL BRYANT GOVERNOR