

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi has regularly experienced the effects of severe weather and throughout history, thousands of lives have been lost and untold amounts of damage have been caused by severe weather; and

WHEREAS, history has demonstrated that well-informed and well-prepared citizens suffer less in personal injury and property damages as a result of these storms; and

WHEREAS, through state and federal partnerships, the National Weather Service and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency have brought additional severe weather warning capabilities to Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, the National Weather Service, and other agencies have expressed a desire to work with the citizens of our state and the news media to inform Mississippians of severe weather safety and preparedness:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Haley Barbour, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the week of February 22-26, 2010 as

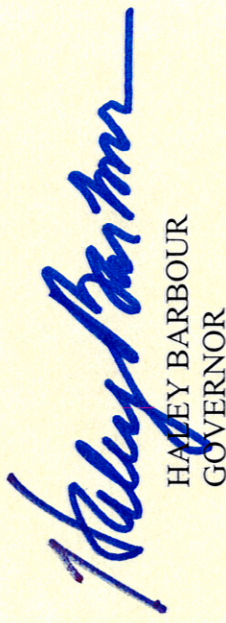
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in the State of Mississippi and encourage our citizens to join in this effort to increase public awareness of disaster preparedness by participating in this year's statewide tornado drill and in public education programs prior to and during this week.

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 eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, two thousand and ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fourth.




HALEY BARBOUR
GOVERNOR