## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Mississippi regularly experiences the effects of severe weather, and throughout the State's history, numerous lives have been lost and tremendous economic damage has been caused by severe weather; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi already has experienced 98 confirmed tornadoes in 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Mississippi was affected by four tornadoes during the months of October and December 2021; and

WHEREAS, nearly 25% of all recorded tornadoes in the State occurred during the secondary severe weather season; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is not immune to severe winter weather after receiving a Major Disaster Declaration in 2021 with over \$19 million in public assistance grants obligated to recover from the damage; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians should be aware that they can take an active role in improving their ability to survive and recover from severe weather by having a NOAA Weather Radio or multiple ways to receive warnings and knowing what to do when severe weather threatens; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency continues to prepare for tomorrow's disasters today through education focused on individuals, families, and communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim the week of October 17-22, 2022, as:

## FALL SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Monday: Warning Reception Methods Tuesday: Severe Thunderstorms

Wednesday: Tornadoes Safety; Statewide Tornado Drill at 9:15 AM

Thursday: Flash Flooding Friday: Snow and Ice Saturday: Mobile Home Safety

in the State of Mississippi and encourage all Mississippians to join in this effort to increase public awareness and preparedness to save lives and property when our State is impacted by tornadoes and severe winter weather.

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 28<sup>TH</sup> day of September, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-seventh.

TATE REEVES GOVERNOR