PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi averages 30 tornadoes each year; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, 115 tornadoes occurred in Mississippi with 3 deaths; 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, Mississippians should be aware that they can take an active role in improving their ability to survive and recover from tornadoes by having a NOAA Weather Radio and knowing what to do when severe weather threatens; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency and the National Weather Service are urging Mississippians to be prepared for the upcoming fall season that usually produces an increased amount of severe weather and tornadoes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 19, 2020-October 23, 2020 as:

FALL SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

in the State of Mississippi and encourage our citizens to join in this effort for public awareness and to increase public preparedness to save lives and property when our state is affected by severe weather and tornadoes.

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 13th day of October, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-fifth.

TATE REEVES
GOVERNOR