PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of October 2016 has been selected as Gifted Education Month in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi is recognized nationally as a leader in gifted education; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi mandates gifted education services for eligible 2nd through 6th grade gifted students in every school district in our State; and

WHEREAS, more than 30,000 gifted students are served annually in intellectually gifted classes in Mississippi public schools; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi’s brightest students represent all cultural groups and all economic strata; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi’s gifted students deserve appropriate educational experiences to address their unique needs; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi’s gifted students are our hope for the future and tomorrow’s leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association for Gifted Children encourages advocacy, communication and collaboration among educators, parents, agencies and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association for Gifted Children works in partnership with the Mississippi Department of Education and the Mississippi Legislature for better educational opportunities for all children:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2016, as

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in the state of Mississippi and encourage all citizens to participate in this special observance with gifted students sharing in their academic achievement.

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