STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor

Executive Order No. 1323

WHEREAS, Medgar Wiley Evers is rightfully remembered as a hero of the Civil Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, his steadfast pursuit of equality cost him his life, as he was assassinated in the driveway of his home; and

WHEREAS, 2013 marks 50 years since Medgar Evers' tragic death; and

WHEREAS, Medgar Evers' important work is continued today by the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Institute; and

WHEREAS, the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Institute has marked June 12, 2013, as an International Day of Remembrance and will coordinate commemorative events to honor the life and legacy of Medgar Wiley Evers; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting for Mississippians to unite in paying tribute to Medgar Wiley Evers, his life's work, and his positive influence on our State:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2013, as

A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF MEDGAR WILEY EVERS' LIFE AND LEGACY

in the State of Mississippi and encourage my fellow Mississippians to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Medgar Wiley Evers, in reflecting on the struggles in our State's past, in celebrating the work of those who have advanced race relations in Mississippi, and in looking forward to our continued growth in understanding and unity as one people created by God.

Further, I do hereby order the State Flag on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction fly at half-staff, beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset on Wednesday, June 12, 2013, in observance of this Day of Remembrance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, on the 10th day of June in the year of our Lord, two thousand and thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-seventh.

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR.
SECRETARY OF STATE