

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the glory and the promise of our great nation has been enhanced by acclaimed organizations like the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century and The Reverend Samuel Swayze Chapter CDXVIIC...whose distinguished members are direct descendants of our country's earliest settlers; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the sound and noble goals of the heralded Society is to promote the tremendous colonial heritage upon which the very principles of our mighty nation were kindled and passed on – both in spirit and by example; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonial Dames XVII Century members, who are also highly respected for their longstanding record of caring and community service, proudly trace their time honored roots back to our earliest settlers who came to America prior to 1701; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Mississippi is pleased to join in celebrating this special month which is aptly set aside to wisely promote and explore our family backgrounds, origin and our knowledge and appreciation of colonial history...as such a bountiful and glorious past continues to merit a special place in the minds and in the hearts of our people:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 2015 as

## *COLONIAL HERITAGE MONTH*

in the State of Mississippi.



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 first day of October in the year of our Lord, two thousand and fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and fortieth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phil Bryant".

PHIL BRYANT  
GOVERNOR