

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Dyslexia is a language-based learning disability. Difficulty reading, spelling, writing, and pronouncing words are some of the symptoms. Dyslexia affects individuals throughout their lives and can greatly hinder a person from achieving their full potential; and

WHEREAS, though the exact causes of dyslexia are not yet clear, research indicates differences in the way the brain develops and functions. Dyslexia does not stem from a lack of intelligence or willingness to learn. However, it does create a gap between an individual's potential for learning and academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, early identification, alternative instruction, and extra support from teachers, families, and friends enable dyslexic students to achieve in school and excel in later employment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Haley Barbour, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim October 2011 as

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS 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 twenty-ninth
day of August in the year of our Lord, two
thousand and eleven, and of the Independence of
the United States of America, the two hundred and
thirty sixth.


HALEY BARBOUR
GOVERNOR

