## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, in partnership with the National Weather Service, urges citizens to prepare for the 2025 Atlantic Hurricane Season; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Atlantic Basin saw eighteen (18) named storms, eleven (11) of which became hurricanes, and five (5) intensified to major hurricanes (Category 3 or higher on the Saffir-Simpson Scale); and

WHEREAS, this year, Mississippi remembers Hurricane Katrina, a Category 3 hurricane that made landfall 20 years ago in 2005, causing widespread damage in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Mississippians should be aware that they can take an active role in improving their ability to survive and recover from hurricanes by having an evacuation plan, disaster supply kit, homeowner's insurance, and NOAA Weather Radio, as well as knowing what to do when tropical systems and hurricanes threaten their area, and visiting the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency's hurricane Preparedness webpage at <a href="https://www.msema.org/prepare/types-disasters/hurricanes">https://www.msema.org/prepare/types-disasters/hurricanes</a>; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, hereby proclaim May 4 through May 10, 2025, as:

## **Hurricane Preparedness Week**

May 4, 2025 - Know Your Risk: Wind & Water May 5, 2025 - Prepare Before Hurricane Season May 6, 2025 - Understand Forecast Information May 7, 2025 - Get Moving When a Storm Threatens May 8, 2025 - Stay Protected During Storms May 9, 2025 - Use Caution After Storms May 10, 2025 - Take Action Today

in the State of Mississippi and encourage all residents to join in this effort to increase public awareness of hurricane preparedness.



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

day of April, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-ninth.

TATE REEVES GOVERNOR