WHEREAS: Deputy Secretary Alphonso Jackson was nominated by President George W. Bush on March 9, 2001, was unanimously confirmed by the Senate on June 3, 2001, and took the oath of office on June 6, 2001; and

WHEREAS: Deputy Secretary Jackson has been presented the AFLAC 2001 Lifetime Achievement Award and the 1997 National Boys & Girls Clubs of America Chairman's Award, in addition to being named the 1995 Aspen Fellow by The Aspen Institute; and

WHEREAS: The people of Georgia depend on Deputy Secretary Jackson Alphonso Jackson's wide range of experience in housing, finance and management to help those in need find affordable housing; and

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby thank and commend

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for his exceptional contributions to the nation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 25th day of April, 2003.