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Statement from Chair of the Mississippi Democratic Party State House of Representatives, Cheikh A. Taylor

Jackson, MS – "Our State Democratic Party has taken a bold step to ensure confidence in the party and provide strong support for our talented Democrats up and down the ticket. Before I proceed, I would like to personally express my gratitude to Tyree Irving for his dedicated service in this role for over three years. Serving as Chair is often a thankless job that requires personal sacrifices, and in my opinion, his name should always be held in high regard for his commitment to the Democratic Party. I am also aware of the pressing and urgent needs of our party, and I recognize that any missteps could result in the removal of leadership. I am committed to standing in the gap, utilizing my legislative experiences, along with over 25 years of nonprofit work, to serve the party. This is an incredible opportunity for transformative change, and together, we can turn Mississippi Blue.

While I am honored to have been entrusted with this position, I want to emphasize that our party's success is not solely dependent on one individual or the title they hold. I am grateful for this opportunity to lead and eager to get to work.

We are currently in the midst of a highly consequential election cycle, and our primary focus is on uniting Democrats across the state and electing candidates who are determined to move Mississippi forward.

Whether it is expanding Medicaid to address the healthcare crisis, restoring the ballot initiative to give a voice back to Mississippi voters, combatting corruption, or fully funding public schools, Democrats are the only candidates up and down the ticket who support policies that a majority of Mississippians want to see implemented. These solutions are not radical; they are practical. They represent the first steps towards making Mississippi a place that works for everyone, not just a select few.

We have the capacity to do better, and for the sake of our children and grandchildren, we must strive to do so. We will see you on the campaign trail."

**Chair of the Mississippi Democratic Party
State House of Representatives,
Cheikh A. Taylor**

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About Mississippi Democratic Party:

The Mississippi Democratic Party is dedicated to advancing progressive values, fostering inclusive policies, and promoting equal representation for all Mississippians. As the state's leading Democratic organization, we work tirelessly to build a strong and diverse coalition, advocate for meaningful change, and support Democratic candidates who champion social justice, economic fairness, and access to quality healthcare and education. Together, we strive to create a brighter future for Mississippi by ensuring that every voice is heard and every vote counts.