

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2021-7

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 3-3-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, the observance of Christmas Day and New Year's Day are declared legal holidays in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Christmas Day is *Saturday*, *December 25*, *2021*, and the holiday observance for the municipality will be Friday, December 24, 2021, consistent with state law and municipal policy; and

WHEREAS, New Year's Day is *Saturday*, *January 1*, *2022*, and the holiday observance for the municipality will be Friday, December 31, 2021, consistent with state law and municipal policy; and

WHEREAS, during this holiday season, many city employees will spend time with their families in Mississippi and in other states; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Mississippi issued a Proclamation October 22, 2021 which authorized executive officers to close staff offices in their discretion on **Thursday**, **December 23, 2021** after considering staffing needs and the interests of the citizens of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by issuance of an Executive Order similar to the Governor's Proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, do hereby authorize the closing of all municipal offices on **Friday, December 24, 2021** in observance of the Christmas holiday, and **Friday, December 31, 2021**, in observance of the New Year's holiday.

IN ADDITION, and pursuant to the authority vested within me in Sections 21-8-15 and 21-8-17 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 to supervise departments of the municipality, I also authorize department directors to close staff offices of the City of Jackson as necessary on Thursday, December 23, 2021 after considering staffing needs and the interests of the citizens of the City of Jackson.

Chokwe A. Lumumba Mayor, City of Jackson