



Katrina 10th Anniversary Message



Ten years ago an unforgiving storm by the name of Katrina slammed into the Gulf Coast bringing devastation and destruction, fiercely testing the resolve of Mississippians. Lives, families, homes, jobs and almost a whole way of coastal life were destroyed.

Katrina underestimated the people of Mississippi but did not destroy their heart, spirit, courage and resilience. While still reeling from the storm's blow, Mississippians got up, picked

up, and began rebuilding bigger and better. State, local, and federal officials joined forces and dedicated themselves to the recovery of the coast.

On this tenth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina we remember the lives and families lost, we are grateful for the courage and dedication of the first responders and volunteers who stepped forward to help and we salute the indomitable spirit of Mississippians. While much has been accomplished in rebuilding since Katrina, there is still much work to be done and we will do it, together.

Katrina taught us valuable lessons, one of the most important being that it only takes one storm to destroy a home, a family or a life. We have learned the value of building stronger, and being prepared. What has also been made evident is that whatever storms may come, Mississippians may bend, but we do not break.



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