

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS,*

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths for women in the United States and Georgia and each year in the United States, about 245,000 cases of breast cancer are diagnosed in women and about 2,200 in men, thus causing about 41,000 deaths among women and 460 deaths among men; and



*WHEREAS,*

the Fulton County Board of Health Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program, through funding from the Georgia Department of Public Health, provides breast cancer screenings, diagnostic services, and referrals to treatment as medically indicated to help reduce the impact of breast cancer on uninsured women residing in Fulton County; and



*WHEREAS,*

Dr. Rogsbert Phillips-Reed is a native of Georgia and the founder of Sisters By Choice, a multi-faceted organization that provides services for uninsured and underserved women and men; and



*WHEREAS,*

Dr. Phillips-Reed is a general surgeon and Fellow of the American College of Surgeons specializing in breast surgery; and



*WHEREAS,*

Dr. Phillips-Reed saw the need for programs that would increase public knowledge and awareness of breast cancer to reduce the mortality and morbidity of the disease;



***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,*** That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners hereby commends the Fulton County Board of Health Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program, community medical providers, and community partners like Dr. Rogsbert Phillips-Reed who dedicate their lives to fighting for a world without breast cancer, and does hereby proclaim October 2023 as "**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**" in Fulton County, Georgia.



*Fulton County Board of Commissioners*

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Commissioner

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Clerk to the Commission

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