

# Proclamation



**WHEREAS,**

Michael Anthony Taylor was born on June 20, 1967, in Washington, D.C., the youngest of seven children to the late Mr. Alonzo Taylor, Sr. and Mrs. Rosa Lee McLeod Taylor, and he was educated in the D.C. Public School System; and



**WHEREAS,**

Michael was baptized at Greater New Hope Baptist Church and later became a devoted member of Open-Door Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., pastored by his brother, Rev. Dr. Bernard M. Taylor; when her relocated to Atlanta in 2001, he was a member of Buckhead Church; and



**WHEREAS.**

Michael first launched a landscaping business, then opened his first restaurant, followed by two City Sounds Record Stores in Washington, D.C. where he promoted local artists, which soon caught the attention of a Def Jam marketing executive; and



**WHEREAS,**

Michael went on to serve as National Marketing Representative from 1999 to 2014, helping expand the visibility and growth of major brands including HBO, Coca-Cola, Baby Phat, Motorola, Tommy Hilfiger, and Estée Lauder; he founded Upscale Entertainment/Upscale Marketing and Promotions where he continued to grow his legacy as a consultant, speaker, and community leader; and



**WHEREAS,**

Michael served on the Board of Directors for Family Health Centers of Georgia where he dressed as Santa every year to donate toys to children; he leaves to cherish his memory three beloved children; Brittanii LaTeka, and Jordan, granddaughters Bailee and Journie, siblings Susan, Bernard, Pamela, Alonzo, and Sharon, and a host of extended family, friends, and colleagues;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Michael Anthony Taylor for a life of integrity and dedication to his craft, his community, and his family, and does hereby proclaim Friday, September 19, 2025, as “**MICHAEL ANTHONY TAYLOR REMEMBRANCE DAY**” in Fulton County, Georgia.

**Fulton County Board of Commissioners**

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**Commissioner**

Attest:

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Clerk to the Commission

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