



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

#18-0901

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE:  
12-19-18

Requesting Agency

COMMISSIONERS

Requested Action *(Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)*

**Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes.**

Requirement for Board Action *(Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)*

Is this Item Goal Related? *(If yes, describe how this action meets the specific Board Focus Area or Goal)*

Yes  No

**Summary & Background**

*(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)*

Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes.

Proclamation recognizing "Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**  
November 17, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Georgia Spartans Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**  
November 17, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Hip Hop Gives Back Foundation Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**  
November 17, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Kenneth Hutchins and What's Positive Movement Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**  
November 17, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "StreetWatchXM and Monte 'Montana' White Day." **(Arrington)**  
November 17, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Councilmember Ivory Lee Young, Jr. Remembrance Day." **(Pitts)**  
December 1, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Uma Iyer Appreciation Day." **(Pitts)**  
December 5, 2018

Proclamation recognizing "Harriett G. Darnell Senior Multipurpose Facility Appreciation Day." **(Darnell)**  
December 7, 2018

**Fiscal Impact / Funding Source**

*(Include projected cost, approved budget amount and account number, source of funds, and any future funding requirements.)*

**Exhibits Attached** *(Provide copies of originals, number exhibits consecutively, and label all exhibits in the upper right corner.)*

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS,* in a visit to Atlanta in 1911, Fr. Ignatius Lissner, SMA identified a need for Catholic education for children in Atlanta resulting in Mother Katharine Drexel responding by providing \$16,000.00 for the construction of a catholic church/school building for the education of black children in Atlanta; and



*WHEREAS,* Father Lissner and St. Katharine Drexel clung to unwavering faith, to defy Atlanta's pillars of segregation by hiring African America contractor, R. E. Pharrows to build the edifice using granite from Stone Mountain and the building still stands; and



*WHEREAS,* the building was completed by the fall of 1912 and was named the Archbishop Ryan Memorial but was later changed to Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Mission at the dedication and blessing on November 22, 1912; and



*WHEREAS,* on October 1, 1912, the Our Lady of Lourdes School opened its doors to four African American lay teachers from Morris Brown College and 50 students when in 1913, Mother Katharine Drexel sent her Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament to teach the students in the school and to support the four African American lay teaches who had been teaching since 1913; and



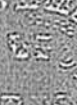
*WHEREAS,* in 2001, the Archdiocese of Atlanta chose to close Our Lady of Lourdes School due to low enrollment and cessation of funds from the archdiocese; and



*WHEREAS,* in 2010, a group of former students from Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic school met, organized and formed Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School Alumni Association – with the purpose of celebrating the centennial anniversary of the opening of the school; and



*WHEREAS,* in keeping with their motto, Our Lady of Lourdes School Alumni Association award a student a scholarship to attend a Catholic University and assist the former scholarship recipients in school until they graduate; and



*WHEREAS,* Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School Alumni Association remain today as living evidence of the strength of faith and firm belief in social justice of our brave founders and teachers;

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School Alumni Association, celebrates the memory of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Mission and does hereby proclaim Saturday, November 17, 2018 as "OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC SCHOOL APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.

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# Proclamation



**WHEREAS,** the Georgia Spartans, a men's semi pro basketball team, was founded in 2011 by Jerell Shearin; and



**WHEREAS,** the mission of the Georgia Spartans is to allow local and non-local players the opportunity to display their skills through basketball development programs and give aspiring basketball players an opportunity to play at a professionally competitive level with the UMBL and UBA, as well as the possibility to advance their career to the NBA or International Basketball Leagues; and



**WHEREAS,** the Spartans play in the Universal Basketball Association (UBA) and United Men's Basketball League (UMBL), and the Spartans are the twice undefeated champions of the UMBL; and



**WHEREAS,** the Georgia Spartans take leadership roles in the community by giving men of all ages a positive outlook on life through the game of basketball and a mentoring program for young men that teaches community service and support, such as the Spartans' *Atlanta Turkey Classic*; and



**WHEREAS,** the *Atlanta Turkey Classic*, inspired by founder Jerell Shearin, Motana White, Dvante Black, and Konata Nicholson, has given over 2,000 turkeys and 6,000 canned goods to families in need for five years;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes and honors Jerell Shearin, Dvante Black, HipHop Gives Back, Kotana Nicholson, Kenneth Hutchins, and the Georgia Spartans for their basketball accomplishments and commitment to their communities, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, November 17, 2018 as "GEORGIA SPARTANS APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia



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*WHEREAS,* the Hip Hop Gives Back Foundation was founded in 2008 by Konata J. Nicholson and Mike Delpleche as a cultural and society entity and non-profit foundation based in the State of Georgia; and



*WHEREAS,* the Hip Hop Gives Back Foundation creates and facilitates programs, workshops, events, and non-profit youth campaigns that inspire and motivate youth in the Atlanta metro, while simultaneously moving the hip-hop culture forward; and



*WHEREAS,* the mission of the foundation is to use hip-hop culture to improve the life skills of the members of the community, and the foundation inspires change domestically and globally through youth programs that define the pillars of Fundraising, Awareness, Mentoring, and Education; and



*WHEREAS,* the Hip Hop Gives Back Foundation provides opportunities to uplift and motivate members of the community and youth by highlighting the positive aspects of the hip-hop culture, and this is done by recognizing those in the fields of business, entertainment, arts, technology, and society; and



*WHEREAS,* the foundation continues to build and empower youth and members of the hip-hop community to be leaders in pushing progress for positive change and prosperity in local and global communities;



*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the positive impact the Hip Hop Gives Back Foundation has on the community and hereby proclaims Saturday, November 17, 2018, as "HIP HOP GIVES BACK FOUNDATION APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.



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*WHEREAS,* "What's Positive Movement," a non-profit organization founded in 2015 by Kenneth Hutchins, has ambassadors all over the world spreading messages and sharing positive stories; and



*WHEREAS,* Kenneth Hutchins, a master painter, specializes in sustainable buildings and lifestyles, and provides services to commercial, industrial, retail facilities, and custom residential buildings across the southeastern region of the United States; and



*WHEREAS,* Kenneth Hutchins is also a humble man of God, who loves the Lord, and is truly a purpose-driven leader; and



*WHEREAS,* the mission for his non-profit, "What's Positive Movement," is to bring positive change to the world, by serving people of all ages through an innovative utilization of engineering, academics, athletics, and mentoring with messages to everyone that "regardless what you are going through, by faith *What's Positive is What's Possible;*" and



*WHEREAS,* "What's Positive Movement" is a one-stop shop for community activities and engagement, providing adults, youth, and seniors, particularly those who are at-risk, a safe environment to learn, explore, and find confidence through a systematic array of physically challenging and cognitively engaged services, which include cultural and athletic activities, educational courses, life skills, professional skills, veteran support, and feeding the homeless; and



*WHEREAS,* Fulton County recognizes the commitment of "What's Positive Movement" to serving all people;



*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County honors Mr. Kenneth Hutchins for his commitment to serving those in need of support, encouragement and enrichment, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, November 17, 2018 as "KENNETH HUTCHINS AND WHAT'S POSITIVE MOVEMENT APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia

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WHEREAS,

the Atlanta Turkey Classic is a community event that caters to disadvantaged families during the Thanksgiving holiday season; and



WHEREAS,

the event is not only gives back to the community, but it also displays the partnership between local organizations and citizens; and



WHEREAS,

the 5th Annual Atlanta Turkey Classic will take place on Saturday, November 17, 2018, at the Andrew & Walter Young Family YMCA located at 2220 Campbellton Road in Atlanta, Georgia; and



WHEREAS,

StreetWatchXM along with Monte "Montana" White will be part of this event that will serve an estimate of 755,400 people, in metro Atlanta and north Georgia by providing food pantries and meal service programs to feed families in need; and



WHEREAS,

StreetWatchXM with Monte "Montana" White join the Atlanta Turkey Classic as it continues its efforts to assist disadvantaged families during the holidays by providing turkeys and canned goods that will be distributed at the event;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes StreetWatchXM and Monte "Montana" White for their compassion towards families during the Annual Atlanta Turkey Classic and does hereby proclaim Saturday, November 17, 2018 as "STREETWATCHXM AND MONTE "MONTANA" WHITE DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.



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*WHEREAS,* the late Atlanta City Councilmember Ivory Lee Young, Jr., earned a reputation as a strong leader and collaborative problem solver during his four terms on the Atlanta City Council; and



*WHEREAS,* during his tenure, Councilmember Ivory Lee Young, Jr., known to many as Ivory, served on numerous council committees to effectively serve his constituents, and at the time of his passing, was serving as Chair of the Zoning Committee and as a member of the City Utilities Committee, Community Development/Human Services Committee and the Committee on the Council; and



*WHEREAS,* one of Ivory's premiere achievements was the completion of "Westside Revive," an unprecedented initiative, which created redevelopment plans for neighborhoods that had not benefited from traditional economic opportunities; and



*WHEREAS,* Ivory also played an active role in the redevelopment of Mercedes Benz Stadium and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive corridor that resulted in more than \$65 million for the completion of the Historic Westside Village project; he supported the purchase of police and fire equipment to enhance public safety throughout District 3; he helped to create the Atlanta Citizens Review Board and abolished the Disorderly Conduct 6 (DC) statute that unfairly profiled citizens in underserved neighborhoods; and



*WHEREAS,* Ivory consistently sought opportunities to help senior citizens and underserved families through philanthropic initiatives funded by private donors, and over the years, he hosted senior citizen activities, provided food, toys, school supplies, and other services throughout the community; and



*WHEREAS,* Ivory, a loving and dedicated, husband, father and grandfather, leaves behind his wife, Shalise, and family who will profoundly miss his presence, love and support;



*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County honors the late Ivory Lee Young, Jr., for his vision and passionate dedication to serving the residents of Atlanta and Fulton County, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, December 1, 2018, as "COUNCILMEMBER IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR., REMEMBRANCE DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.

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*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer is an outstanding career public servant who is known for her leadership, integrity, humility, concern for colleagues, sense of humor; and excellent work ethic; and



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer joined Fulton County Government in 2001 as a Library Assistant, and in 2005 moved to finance as an Accountant II;



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer continued to progressively acquire more responsible positions, culminating with IT Financial Analyst for the Information Technology Department; and



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer served in an integral role on various initiatives, which positively impacted Fulton County's financial management of technology resources, serving as an outstanding contributor in the departmental budget creation, and demonstrating qualities of a good steward of public funds; and



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer has shown exceptional leadership in her work compiling data from all County agencies in the budget process, and helping to ensure the preservation and maintenance of technology; and



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer balances her exemplary professional service with her commitment to meeting the needs of her family, including daughters Simrata Iyer and Nisha Iyer, as well as her many close personal friends; and



*WHEREAS,*

Uma Iyer retired from service with Fulton County Government on December 5, 2018, after more than 17 years of committed service to the citizens of Fulton County;



*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County thanks Uma Iyer for her leadership and integrity during her more than 17 years of public service, extends congratulations on her retirement and best wishes for her future endeavors, and does hereby proclaim December 5, 2018 as "UMA IYER APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.

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