

Proclamation



WHEREAS, Bishop Greg Fann grew up in Atlanta as a member of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church, pastored by civil rights icon Ralph Abernathy Sr., who became his ministerial mentor; Greg became a preacher at age 21 and was ordained in 1978 under Rev. Abernathy, serving as an activist for organized labor; and



WHEREAS, after starting his radio career in the mid 80's at WYZE-Radio, Bishop Fann was known as "Greg Fann the Preacher Man;" and



WHEREAS, God gave Bishop Greg L. Fann, Sr. the vision to start a Church and gave him the name Liberty International Church of God and Christ; Bishop Fann asked Minister Cherry O. Williams-Robinson to join him as his Assistant Pastor and help start a choir and she agreed; and



WHEREAS, On December 13, 1980, the first worship service was held at the Art Center on Georgia Ave. (Ralph Abernathy Blvd.) in a classroom and Minister Roma L. Taylor became a part of the ministerial staff as Associate Minister; and



WHEREAS, in March of 1981, worship service was relocated to a storefront building located at 1580 Flat Shoals Road, then on December 11, 1988, the congregation rented a house at 1362 Steward Avenue (Metropolitan Parkway) that was later purchased; the church name was changed in 1998 to Liberty International Church; and



WHEREAS, the congregation was blessed again on September 11, 2005 when ground was broken for a new church sanctuary; services began at the current location in August 2006 and has continued to stand by the mission to carry out the Great Commission of our Lord and Savior;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the lifetime of activism of Bishop Greg Fann and celebrates his 50th year in the Ministry and his 42nd year as Pastor, and does hereby proclaim Sunday, August 20, 2023, as "**BISHOP GREG FANN APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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