

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Marcus Mosiah Garvey, Jr. remains one of the most influential global leaders of Black pride, self-determination, economic empowerment, and Pan-African unity, whose vision inspired generations throughout the African Diaspora; and



WHEREAS,

Fulton County and the City of Atlanta hold a meaningful place in this historic legacy, as the 109th Anniversary of Marcus Garvey's first public lecture in Atlanta reflects a powerful chapter in the continued advancement of Black thought, self-determination, civic empowerment, and Pan-African consciousness; and



WHEREAS,

the 3rd Annual Atlanta Marcus Garvey Symposium, to be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Big Bethel AME Church, 220 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, serves as an important platform to commemorate the life, vision, and enduring contributions of Marcus Garvey; and



WHEREAS,

this symposium also recognizes the International Day of Remembrance of the Maafa, creating space for reflection on the enduring impact of the transatlantic slave trade and honoring the strength, resilience, and legacy of African people across generations; and



WHEREAS,

through education, cultural engagement, historical reflection, and community dialogue, the Atlanta Marcus Garvey Symposium uplifts heritage, deepens public awareness, and inspires present and future generations to remain committed to justice, unity, leadership, and collective progress;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes and applauds events that preserve the truth of our shared history, elevate cultural consciousness, and strengthen bonds across communities in pursuit of a more informed, empowered, and inclusive future, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 25, 2026, as "**MARCUS GARVEY APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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