

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Mount Olive Baptist Church began in 1900 as a Brush Arbor off Fairburn Road and Camp Creek, founded and organized under the leadership of Brother Columbus "Lunn" Oliver, with Rev. Moon serving as Pastor; and



WHEREAS,

the first church was built on Barge Road under the leadership of Rev. William Henderson; the church was a hut-like structure and when more space was needed during revivals, a brush arbor was built on each end to accommodate more people for worship; and



WHEREAS,

in 1953, Mt. Olive bought the old Ben Hill Elementary School property where the current church sits; the church structure was unfinished when members marched in on October 25, 1959; and



WHEREAS,

the church expanded the campus on December 31, 2010 by purchasing the land next to the upper parking lot; the area was cleared on September 13, 2013 for the planting of a community garden; the Memorial Garden was dedicated on November 15, 2015, creating a sacred space for reflection and remembrance; and



WHEREAS,

Mount Olive Baptist Church has flourished under the leadership of several Pastors that include: Rev. Moon (1900), Rev. William Henderson(1916), Rev. Daniel(1920), Rev. Ellis Mann(1922), Rev. C.R. Sheridan(1934), Rev. A. Bell(1943), Rev. R.C. McKibbins(1947), Rev. Claude Joseph Johnson(1949), Rev. C.J. Maddox(1961), Rev. V. Huntley-Worden(1982), Rev. Dale C. Bronner(1989), Rev. Anthony D. Sanford(1998), Rev. Richard Moss(2001), and current Pastor, Rev. Frank C. Brown(2007);



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Mt. Olive Baptist Church for 125 years of spiritual guidance and leadership, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, November 8, 2025, as "**MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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