

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Thomas G. Sampson, Sr. was the managing partner of Thomas Kennedy Sampson & Tomkins, LLP, Georgia’s oldest minority-owned law firm, and practiced law for more than 50 years; and



WHEREAS, Thomas followed in the footsteps of his father, Daniel George Sampson, who was a law professor and Dean at North Carolina Central University; Thomas built a national trial practice and reputation in the fields of personal injury, wrongful death, and medical malpractice litigation; and



WHEREAS, Thomas earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Morehouse College in 1968, followed by his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of North Carolina in 1971; he also attended the London School of Economics where he was a member of the Society of International Business Fellows, and was admitted into the Bar Association in Georgia and North Carolina in 1971; and



WHEREAS, Thomas represented the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia in major litigation and prosecuted catastrophic injury cases resulting in record setting verdicts, recovering multi-million dollar settlements, and he represented Fortune 500 corporations in major litigation; and



WHEREAS, Thomas was the first African American inducted into the Georgia Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, inducted as a Charter Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, honored by Morehouse College with the Bennie Trailblazer Award, and he was inducted as a Fellow into the American College of Trial Lawyers, an honor only extended by invitation to experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy; and



WHEREAS, Thomas leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife of 57 years, Mrs. Jacquelyn Sampson, two beloved children: Thomas “Woody” Sampson, II and Arial, six grandchildren, and a host of extended family and friends;



NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Thomas G. Sampson, Sr. for a life of integrity and dedication to his family and community, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, July 19, 2025, as **“THOMAS G. SAMPSON, SR. REMEMBRANCE DAY”** in Fulton County, Georgia.



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission