

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS,*

Pastor Jasmine Rose Smothers is the first woman, the first person of color, and the youngest lead Pastor of the historic Atlanta First United Methodist Church's 175 year history; and



*WHEREAS,*

Pastor Smothers is a native of Atlanta, Georgia and earned her Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Spelman College, and her Master of Divinity degree from Emory University's Candler School of Theology; and



*WHEREAS,*

Pastor Smothers has served as Associate Director for Congregational Vitality through the Office of Connectional Ministries in the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, and she has served the United Methodist Church as a member of the United Methodist Commission on Religion and Race, the Ministry Study Commission, and several task forces on Ministry with Young People; and



*WHEREAS,*

Pastor Smother is a 2015-2016 Lewis Center for Church Leadership Community Fellow, a 2018 alumni of LEAD Atlanta, and in 2017, she was inducted into Morehouse College's prestigious Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers, among several other accolades;



*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* That the Fulton County Board Commissioners, in commemoration of Women's History Month, recognize Pastor Jasmine Smothers for her community advocacy and her commitment to the spiritual enrichment of her community, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 16, 2022 as "**PASTOR JASMINE SMOTHERS APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.



*Fulton County Board of Commissioners*

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Sponsoring Commissioner

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Chair to the Commission

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Commissioner

Attest:

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Clerk to the Commission

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