

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Pastor Wayne C. Thompson, affectionately known as Pastor Wayne, was born in Atlanta, Georgia and attended Oglethorpe Elementary School, Booker T. Washington High School, Morehouse College, and Georgia State University; he served in the U.S. Marine Corps and worked at General Motors and the Lockheed Corporation; and



WHEREAS,

Pastor Wayne was Founder, Chairman of the Board of Directors, and Senior Pastor of Fellowship of Faith Church International, which began with Bible studies conducted in restaurants and homes throughout metropolitan Atlanta, and eventually grew to serve several thousands in-person and millions on television and radio, including a benevolence program that fed the hungry and mission trips to Africa, India, Mexico, and Belgium; and



WHEREAS,

Pastor Wayne also founded Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy, a fully accredited college prep school that trains and educates children to “mix faith with learning” from early learning through 12th grade; and



WHEREAS,

Pastor Wayne was also founder of the Wayne C. Thompson Realty Company, one of Atlanta’s most successful African-American residential and commercial real estate and mortgage companies; and



WHEREAS,

Pastor Wayne’s greatest achievement was his family; he and his devoted wife of 49 years, the late First Lady Geraldine G. Thompson, were the proud parents of five children: Patrice, Melanie, Samuel, Hannah, and Naomi, and six grandchildren;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Pastor Wayne C. Thompson for a life of integrity and dedication to his family and community, and the countless worshipers who were enlightened by his teachings, and does hereby proclaim Friday, June 30, 2023 as **“PASTOR WAYNE C. THOMPSON REMEMBRANCE DAY”** in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Chair to the Commission

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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