

RESOLUTION IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY IN FULTON COUNTY AND IN HONORING THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO GAVE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE SO THAT AMERICANS CONTINUE TO ENJOY LIFE, LIBERTY, FREEDOM AND ALL THE PRIVILEGES OF AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Memorial Day each year serves as a solemn reminder of the tribulations of war and its bitter aftermath of sorrow and lamentation; and

WHEREAS, this day has traditionally been devoted to paying homage to the loved ones who lie in hallowed graves throughout the land, having sacrificed their lives that war might end and peace and freedom live around the world and here at home in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Congress, approved in 1950, a joint resolution that Memorial Day should be set aside as a day of prayer for permanent peace and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe Memorial Day in that manner; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Fulton County residents have served the U.S. armed forces here and abroad to maintain every Fulton citizens' right to life liberty and the pursuit of happiness and more; and

WHEREAS, On Memorial Day, as the President has proclaimed, "we honor and reflect upon the courage, integrity, and selfless dedication of the members of our Armed Forces who have made the greatest sacrifice in service to our Nation. Whether in the waters of the Pacific, on the beachheads of Europe, in the deserts of the Middle East, or in the mountains of Afghanistan, American service members have given their lives to uphold our Constitution and to defend the safety and freedoms of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, "These patriots embody the best of the American spirit. They put themselves on the line for our shared values — for duty, honor, country — and they paid the ultimate price. Our Nation can never fully repay the debt we owe to our fallen heroes and their families."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, declares, honors and remembers all those whose lives we cherish for serving in uniform; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Board urges all people of Fulton County, Georgia to pause on May 31, to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice, and their families who have shouldered the greatest pain in the loss, through prayer, thought and community service; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the County Manager is directed to fly all flags of Fulton County buildings at half-staff during the observance of this year's Memorial Day in honor of the fallen who served.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Georgia, this 18 day of May, 2022.

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