

Proclamation

WHEREAS,

Mother Jessie Vinson was born on October 12, 1922 in Colquitt, Miller County, Georgia, the first born of eight children to Edna Pugh and Willie Mae (Pugh) Hayes; she and her siblings attended the Miller County school system and she furthered her education by attending high school in Donaldsonville, Georgia; and



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WHEREAS,

Mother Vinson grew up in the church, as both of her grandfathers were men of God and pastored churches; she received Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior at a very young age and she married her first love, Mr. T.J. Grimsley, on December 24, 1939, and this union was blessed with two beautiful girls, Betty and Evelyn; and



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WHEREAS,

after the passing of her first husband, Mother Vinson met and married her second love, Mr. George Vinson, in Macon, Georgia in September 1954; they lived there until his employer transferred their family to Atlanta, Georgia, where she began working as a sales associate with Davison's, now known as Macy's, and became one of their top sales associates for several months in a row, and retired after 21 years of service; and



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WHEREAS,

Mother Vinson joined First Corinth Missionary Baptist Church after relocating to Atlanta where she has served faithfully for over 50 years; she became a faithful Mother with the Mother's Ministry, a dedicated Sunday school teacher and an avid student of God's Holy Word by attending Sunday church school, Bible study, and Vacation Bible School; she was also a member of the acapella choir, president of the senior choir, and the sanctuary choir for many years; and



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WHEREAS,

Mother Vinson spear-headed and hosted many family reunions in Atlanta and several other states for over 45 years; she enjoys gardening, fishing, the Atlanta Braves and Atlanta Hawks, and in addition to her two daughters, enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren;



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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Mother Jessie Vinson for a life of integrity and dedication to her family, church, and community, and celebrates with her and her family on the occasion of her 100th birthday, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 12, 2022 as **"MOTHER JESSIE VINSON APPRECIATION DAY"** in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Chair to the Commission

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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