

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Terrence Rhashad Dortch was born in Atlanta, Georgia on February 9, 1979 to Thomas Dortch and Eveyln Davis, and was raised in the Ponderosa Community of College Park, Georgia; he was educated in the Fulton County School System and graduated from Douglas High School in 1997; he furthered his education at Ft. Valley University and received his Funeral Service degree from Gupton Jones College of Funeral Services in 2005; and



WHEREAS,

Terrence was significantly influenced to pursue a career in funeral services by witnessing the dignity and professionalism of his grandmother's funeral at Union Baptist Church, beginning his career at Williamson Mortuary; and



WHEREAS,

Terrence joined Global Impact Christian Ministries in 2010, and in 2011, he married his life partner, Bettrena Williamson Dortch, and continued to work in funeral services together until 2015 when they stepped away to create a plan for Terrence to have his own funeral home, Dortch-Williamson Funeral and Cremation Services in Riverdale, Georgia; and



WHEREAS,

Terrence was very active in his community, sponsoring several football and basketball programs, as well as participating in many career days; he also volunteered and assisted with many toy drives, food and clothing drives, assisted citizens affected by fires and natural disasters, and other community activities; he was presented many awards and honors for his free spirit of giving, most recently being inducted into the Old National Hall of Fame Class of 2022; and



WHEREAS,

Terrence's greatest accomplishment was his role of husband and father to his wife, Bettrena, and father of his loving sons, Thaddius and Terrence, II, AKA, "Deuce";



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Terrence Dortch for a life of integrity and service to his community and family, and does hereby proclaim Friday, December 23, 2022 as "**TERRENCE RHASHAD DORTCH REMEMBRANCE DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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