

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Vanessa Manley's tenure with Atlanta City Government began in 2004 as Executive Assistant and Office Manager to the President of the Atlanta City Council, and later extended to her roles as Chief of Staff to the Atlanta City Council Post 1 at Large, Director of Special Projects and Senior Advisor to the Mayor's Office of Constituent Services, and her most recent role as Director of Customer Service and Constituent Support for the Mayor's Office; and



WHEREAS,

Vanessa spearheaded the Mayor's Senior Citizen Ball for 12 years which has drawn nearly 6500 seniors and played a pivotal role in initiating and facilitating the Mayor's Faith-Based Engagement series; she has curated community-centric events including the 50th Commemoration of the Selma to Montgomery March, Older Americans Month activities, the Mayor's Midnight Basketball program, Toys for Tots, Back to School drives, Thanksgiving Turkey giveaways, and winter coat and blanket distributions; and



WHEREAS,

Vanessa's professional journey includes a significant period in the world of professional dance with Alvin Ailey Dance Company and Urban Bush Women; she is a proud alumna of the University of Alabama Department of Theatre and Dance and a member of the prestigious XXXI (All Women Honor Society), and a graduate of the Bloomberg Harvard Leadership Initiative; and



WHEREAS,

Vanessa is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and she and her husband, James Manley, are the proud parents of four exceptional children: Zachary, James IV, Jackson, and Vivian; her family are members of the dReam Center Church of Atlanta, and as an ordained Minister, missionary, and evangelist, Vanessa's more than 12 years of service with Shaking the Nations International Ministries reflect her commitment to global humanitarian relief missions across several nations including South Africa, Haiti, Belize and Ghana;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Vanessa Manley for more than 30 years of dedicated civic service to the citizens of Atlanta and Fulton County, and does hereby proclaim Friday, January 5, 2023 as "**VANESSA MANLEY APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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