

Proclamation

WHEREAS,

Jim Alexander is an award-winning documentary photographer, curator, lecturer, teacher, media consultant, and entrepreneur who has spent over 50 years refining the art of documentary photography; he has amassed an impressive collection of images spanning the gamut of Black culture – from protests to music to everyday life; and



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WHEREAS,

Jim began to document the local and national response to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and was then hired by Bruner Productions to shoot film strips from 1968 to 1970; he was later hired by Yale University's School of Art and Architecture as a consultant for the Black Environmental Study Team; and



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WHEREAS,

Jim accepted a position with the Atlanta Office of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives in 1976 and went on to the Atlanta Neighborhood Arts Center in 1977 as photographer in residence; and



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WHEREAS,

in 1982, he established the Photo/Media Photography Collective Studio Gallery complex in downtown Atlanta and was appointed photographer in residence at Clark College in 1985; in 1988, he established the First World Bookstores; and



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WHEREAS,

Jim taught and mentored youth and adults at the Carlos Museum, Emory University, the Fulton County Arts Council, TRIO and Upward Bound Programs at Clark, Morris Brown and Atlanta Metropolitan Colleges, and he maintains membership with Photomedia Associates, Inc., Media Arts for Youth, the International Association for Jazz Education, the African American Jazz Caucus, and the Tupac Amaru Shakur Foundation;



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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Jim Alexander his tremendous impact and contributions to the fashion scene in Atlanta, and does hereby proclaim Sunday, September 29, 2024 as "JIM ALEXANDER APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.



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Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Sponsoring Commissioner

Attest:

Co-Sponsor

Clerk to the Commission

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