

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

The American Black Film Festival is the premier annual event dedicated to empowering emerging talent and showcasing film and television content by and about people of African descent; and



WHEREAS,

Jeff Friday founded the American Black Film Festival in 1997 with the vision of creating a global platform to showcase and celebrate Black talent, stories, and culture in film and television; and



WHEREAS,

for three decades, ABFF has been a destination for filmmakers, actors, producers, and audiences, driving diversity, inclusion, and excellence in entertainment while elevating the voices and stories of African Americans worldwide; and



WHEREAS,

the ABFF features a dynamic mix of film screenings, panel discussions, master classes, networking events, and lifestyle experiences over five days in Miami Beach, drawing more than 7,000 attendees annually; and



WHEREAS,

Fulton County commends Jeff Friday for his unwavering leadership, his commitment to advancing representation in media, and his contribution to the growth of Atlanta's creative economy through this landmark celebration;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Jeff Friday and the American Black Film Festival on their 30th Anniversary, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, May 30, 2026, as "**AMERICAN BLACK FILM FESTIVAL 30th ANNIVERSARY APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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