

WHEREAS,

Bishop Dr. William BGK Harris was born in Suakoko, Bong County, Liberia, the son of Hon. Melville F. Harris, Sr. and Mrs. Josephine Lewis Harris; and



WHEREAS,

Bishop Harris earned his BSEE degree in Electrical Engineering from Tuskegee University in Alabama, and both his Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees from the International Theological Center in Atlanta, and;



WHEREAS,

on October 5, 1986, Bishop Harris and a few others founded the International Christian Fellowship Ministries where he served as senior pastor for 35 years; and



WHEREAS,

under his leadership, the church grew from 15 members to over 500 members, all originating from near and as far as Jamaica, Liberia, Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, and the Ivory Coast, among others; and



WHEREAS,

the journey of the ministry began with more than two years of worshiping in a tent, to a two-level brick building, and



because of continued growth, worship is now held in a large community center, located at 461 School Drive in Southeast Atlanta; and



WHEREAS,

Bishop Harris was married to his wife, Queeta Tolbert Harris, and father to their children: Wilta, Oliver, Tuma (deceased), Lasanna, Wiletta, Wilneka, and Wilmonia;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Bishop Dr. William BGK Harris for a life of integrity and dedication to the spiritual wellness of his faith community, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, April 30, 2022 as "BISHOP DR. WILLIAM BGK HARRIS REMEMBRANCE DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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