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Pastor Deedria Chauntee is an award winning beauty industry guru, stylist, and founder and owner of CEI Hair Schools, now Legend's Barber & Beauty Academy, Untouchable Cuts N Styles of Atlanta, and the EDGE Hair Magazine; and

Pastor Chauntee is a native of Richmond, Virginia and has over 25 years of experience in the beauty business, with 13 of those years spent as an educator; she received her cosmetology training at Flair Beauty Institute in Petersburg, Virginia, and shortly after, opened her first salon in Petersburg where she made a name for herself by creating stylish, short haircuts, and continued opening up salons across America; and

Pastor Chauntee relocated to Atlanta in 2007 and opened The Special FX Salon in Snellville, Georgia, and in 2009, she became a licensed educator; having built a large following of students ready to study under her, she founded Cutting Edge Institute on April 9, 2009 with over 40 students in attendance on the first day of class; and

Pastor Chauntee is committed to making beauty education affordable and prides herself on offering affordable quality education to everyone; all students graduate 100% debt free, and to date, she has aided in the graduation, licensure, and overall success of over 3000 debt-free students, 45 salon and barbershop owners, and 10 schools in the Atlanta area; and

Pastor Chauntee was ordained as an Elder in 2018 and currently serves as the lead pastor of the GEM Church in Decatur, Georgia where she is committed to equipping God's children spiritually, tangibly, and financially;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, in commemoration of Gay Black Pride Weekend, recognizes Pastor Deedria Chauntee for her leadership and support of the LGBTQ+ community, and does hereby proclaim Friday, September 2, 2022 as "<u>PASTOR</u> <u>DEEDRIA CHAUNTEE APPRECIATION DAY</u>" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

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