

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Valerie Vie is an Ohio native born in Youngstown, Ohio and earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology, Magna Cum Laude, and a Minor in Business Administration from Bowie State University in Bowie, Maryland; she later earned her Juris Doctorate degree from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University; and



WHEREAS,

Valerie began her legal career as a prosecutor in Baltimore City and served as a Special Assistant States Attorney prior to her licensing in Georgia; she also had a private law practice in Douglasville, GA for 15 years where she specialized in Criminal, Family and Juvenile Law; and



WHEREAS,

Valerie returned to the prosecutor's office where she headed the Accountability Courts and Pre-Trial Diversion programs; she had the forethought to bring a mental health awareness campaign to Douglas County that focused on making both students and parents aware of the early signs of mental health imbalances that often lead to self-medicating and criminal activity; and



WHEREAS,

Valerie was elected President of the Douglas County Bar Association and was the first African American to hold the esteemed position; she has a license to practice law in Maryland in both the Court of Appeals and United States District Court of Maryland; she is also licensed in Georgia since 2003 and is admitted to practice in the Georgia Northern District Court, Georgia Court of Appeals, and Georgia Supreme Court;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, in commemoration of Black Gay Pride Weekend, recognizes Valerie Vie for her steadfast work in the legal community to ensure that all citizens are represented fairly, and does hereby proclaim Friday, September 2, 2022 as "**VALERIE VIE APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Commissioner

Clerk to the Commission

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