

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** Yvonne Sharon Lowery Kennedy was elected Chair of the Board of Directors of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference/Women's Organizational Movement for Equality Now, Inc., an Atlanta based 501c(3), non-profit organization, on April 4, 2020, having served as a member of the Board for many years and appointed by her mother, Dr. Evelyn Gibson Lowery; and



**WHEREAS,** throughout her tenure, Mrs. Lowery Kennedy contributed her tireless efforts and her long-term vision for SCLC/W.O.M.E.N., Inc. maintaining its mission to provide intergenerational programs designed to empower women and girls by raising the awareness and understanding of the needs and concerns of women and women issues as it relates to human rights, social action, economic self-sufficiency, reduction of health disparities, political advocacy and leadership to build the self-esteem of women and girls; and



**WHEREAS,** Mrs. Lowery Kennedy also served as a chief architect and coordinator of the Dr. Evelyn Gibson Lowery Civil Rights Heritage Tour, and was responsible for establishing and setting up a brunch to welcome the tour to Birmingham, Alabama each year; and



**WHEREAS,** SCLC/W.O.M.E.N., Inc. made great progress under her leadership in maintaining its programs and the building in which it resides, and her work with the tour established a solid relationship with the historically black institution, Miles College; and



**WHEREAS,** throughout her life, Mrs. Lowery Kennedy contributed to the community through her service on numerous boards and agencies working for the public good, and she contributed her rich knowledge of the civil rights movement and her gift of harmony in song to support events, tours, and various outreach activities; and



**WHEREAS,** Mrs. Lowery Kennedy was an example of unselfish, thoughtful and generous service to others and of how to live life thinking of others and working for their benefit; she was our "Hey Leader" and "Shero" of this great institution and has left her footsteps firmly planted in the sands of time;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Yvonne Sharon Lowery Kennedy for a life of integrity and leadership, and a strong commitment to community service and, and does hereby proclaim Monday August 15, 2022 as "**YVONNE SHARON LOWERY KENNEDY REMEMBRANCE DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.



*Fulton County Board of Commissioners*

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Sponsoring Commissioner

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Commissioner

Attest:

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Clerk to the Commission

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