

Proclamation

WHEREAS,

“Able” Mable Thomas has been a powerful voice for change freedom, justice, and equality for all Georgians and disenfranchised people around the world; throughout her tenure, “Able” Mable fought for issues including educational reform, women’s reproductive health, living wages, racial profiling, economic development, access to health care or senior issues; and



WHEREAS,

“Able” Mable is a native of Atlanta and is a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School; she earned a scholarship to Georgia State University where she played basketball for the Lady Panthers, and earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration; and



WHEREAS,

her incredible service began in 1984 when she was chosen as a presidential delegate for candidate Reverend Jesse Jackson at the Democratic National Convention held in San Francisco, California; while there, she formally announced her candidacy for the Georgia House of Representatives where she won a highly contested battle with a long-standing incumbent; and



WHEREAS,

in 1997, she again sought another public office, winning the Atlanta City Council, Post 1 At-Large seat which allowed her to focus on quality of life issues most impacting people throughout Atlanta; as a Council member, she was responsible for passing the Affordable Housing Policy Bill, obtaining \$4.9 million for Atlanta Green Space Conservation, and was a major stakeholder in community efforts to secure the Historic Westside Revitalization Project; and



WHEREAS,

“Able” Mable has been a successful executive director of the Greater Vine City Opportunities Program, Inc., which provides youth and family enrichment and educational opportunities for high-risk urban youth;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes “Able” Mable Thomas for her many years of leadership and dedication to the quality of life of all Georgians, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 3, 2023 as “**ABLE MABLE THOMAS APPRECIATION DAY**” in Fulton County, Georgia.



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

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Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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