WHEREAS, Mary Louise Harrison was born on August 9, 1958, in Woodville, Mississippi to the late Charlie and Lizzie Harrison; she was raised by her grandmother, Mary Byrd Harrison, alongside her eight brothers and two sisters; she confessed Christ as her Lord and Savior at Morning Star Baptist Church when she was seven years old; and

WHEREAS, Mary Louise graduated from Wilkinson County High School in 1976 where she was Salutatorian and she earned a full academic scholarship to Jackson State University where she graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in 1980; she later earned her Executive Master's degree in Management of Technology from Georgia Institute of Technology's Scheller College of Business; and

WHEREAS, Mary began her career as a computer software programmer and analyst with ARCO Oil & Gas in Dallas, Texas, and later worked as an IT project and team leader for several other corporations including Coca-Cola USA, The IBM Corporation, The Georgia Tech Foundation, and The Siemens Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Mary Louise was a faithful and devoted member of Antioch Baptist Church North where she served in several ministries including the Youth Ministry, Sunday School, and the Usher Board; she was also an active parent and community volunteer in the Southwest Atlanta community; and

WHEREAS, Mary Louise married the love of her life, Mr. Acey Palmer, Sr. in October of 1985 and together, they nurtured and raised three beloved children: Terika, Angela, and Acey, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her husband and children, Mary Louise leaves to cherish her memory three grandsons, two sisters, four brothers, and a host of extended family and friends;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Mary Louise Palmer for a life of integrity and dedication to her family and community, and does hereby proclaim Friday, June 2, 2023 as "<u>MARY LOUISE PALMER REMEMBRANCE DAY</u>" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Chairman

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Sponsoring Commissioner

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission