

Proclamation



WHEREAS,

Antwan Andre Patton, professionally known as Big Boi, is a native Georgian born in Savannah, later relocating to Atlanta and graduated from Tri-Cities High School where his iconic music career began and secured his legacy as one of the pioneers of Southern Hip Hop; and



WHEREAS,

Big Boi's career as one half of the award-winning duo, OutKast, began in 1992 and went on to produce six studio albums and six BET Awards, four American Music Awards, three Soul Train Awards, and seven Grammy awards, becoming the first and only hip-hop artist in history to win the Grammy for Album of the Year in 2003; and



WHEREAS,

Big Boi has also enjoyed a solo career, releasing three studio albums, and has earned success as a songwriter, record producer, actor and philanthropist; he also performed at the Super Bowl LIII halftime show on February 3, 2019 in Atlanta at the Mercedes Benz Stadium; and



WHEREAS,

Big Boi has two solo singles, *Kryptonite* and *All Night*, that are both Certified Gold by the Recording Industry Association of America(RIAA), and Outkast's *Speakerboxx/The Love Below* is RIAA Certified Diamond; and



WHEREAS,

Big Boi has used his platform to give back to his beloved hometown, and launched the Big Kidz Foundation, a nonprofit organization that enriches the lives of youth in Atlanta; and



WHEREAS,

Big Boi's greatest achievement above all of his awards and accolades is his family; he is the proud father of two sons, one daughter, and he has one grandson;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Big Boi for his groundbreaking and iconic career in music, and for his unwavering dedication to his community, and does hereby proclaim Friday, August 11, 2023 as "**BIG BOI APPRECIATION DAY**" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission

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