

Proclamation



WHEREAS, Hannibal Lokumbe, a native of Bastrop County, Texas, has journeyed from the experiences of segregated Bastrop County, enduring and transcending profound adversity to illuminate lives across the globe; and,

WHEREAS, through his musical compositions and spiritual soundscapes, Hannibal Lokumbe has created a lasting legacy of healing and transformation, using the powerful language of music as a vessel to communicate love, unity, and resilience; and

WHEREAS, Hannibal's works, including but not limited to, The Jonah People, One Land, One River, One People, African Portraits, Dear Mrs. Parks, A Man Named Evers, and In the Spirit of Being, reflect his dedication to channeling his life's experiences and spiritual consciousness into music that resonates deeply with the souls of listeners; and

WHEREAS, for over 60 years, Hannibal has shared his tenacity, heart, and unyielding spirit, crafting a life of purpose that enriches others, exemplifying a profound commitment to artistic expression, philosophical insight, and spiritual awareness; and

WHEREAS, Hannibal Lokumbe's philosophy that "the highest law is life, the highest life is knowledge, and the highest knowledge is love" guides his work, inspiring all who encounter his music to seek understanding, compassion, and unity; and

WHEREAS, his artistry has not only been a gift to the world but also serves as a beacon of hope, a source of healing, and an affirmation of the shared humanity that binds us, ensuring that his legacy will endure long after his earthly journey ends; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager of the City of Bastrop, Texas, do hereby proclaim November 16, 2024 as:

HANNIBAL LOKUMBE DAY

in the City of Bastrop and invite all citizens to join in celebrating his life, his music, and his message of resilience, healing, and love.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 12th day of November, 2024.

CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS

Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary