

Proclamation



WHEREAS, Azie Taylor Morton, a distinguished public servant and trailblazing leader, was born on February 1, 1936, in Dale, Texas, just miles from Bastrop, and remains a source of pride and inspiration for our community; and

WHEREAS, despite facing economic and social barriers, she pursued education with determination, graduating from Huston-Tillotson University and dedicating her life to public service; and

WHEREAS, Azie Taylor Morton made history in 1977 when she was appointed by President Jimmy Carter as the 36th Treasurer of the United States, becoming the first and only African American to hold this prestigious position; and

WHEREAS, in her role as Treasurer, she oversaw the production and integrity of U.S. currency and worked tirelessly to promote financial literacy, economic empowerment, and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, beyond her governmental service, Azie Taylor Morton was a passionate advocate for education, civil rights, and community advancement, inspiring generations with her perseverance and commitment to justice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop is honored to recognize her extraordinary contributions and 1 lasting legacy, which continues to uplift and empower future leaders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager of the City of Bastrop, Texas, do hereby honor Azie Taylor Morton for her historic contributions, outstanding leadership, and unwavering dedication to public service, and encourage all citizens to reflect on her enduring impact and commitment to progress.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 11th day of February 2025.

CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS

Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary