

Proclamation

Honoring Geola Lewis on the Occasion of Her 90th Birthday



WHEREAS, Geola Lewis celebrates her 90th birthday on August 22, 2026, marking nine decades of a life defined by family, service, compassion, and care for others; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis has called Buchanan home since the age of 18, when she moved to our community from Mississippi and began building a life that would become deeply connected to generations of Buchanan residents; and

WHEREAS, Buchanan is the community where Mrs. Lewis and her family raised five children, establishing roots that have grown stronger through the years and creating a legacy that extends well beyond her immediate family; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Mrs. Lewis has served as a caretaker not only to those closest to her, but to countless others throughout the Buchanan community, consistently offering her time, compassion, support, and a helping hand whenever someone was in need; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis worked for many years at Moccasin Elementary School, where she touched the lives of generations of children who passed through its doors, providing the kind of care, encouragement, and presence that helped make the school and our community a better place; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to others never ended with her work at the school, as Mrs. Lewis has long been known as one of the first people to answer the call when a neighbor, friend, family, or community member needed help; and

WHEREAS, the true impact of a life cannot always be measured by titles or accomplishments, but rather by the people who have been helped, encouraged, cared for, and made better because someone was there when they needed them; and

WHEREAS, as Mrs. Lewis celebrates this remarkable milestone, the City of Buchanan recognizes not only her 90 years of life, but also the extraordinary number of lives she has touched throughout those years and the lasting impact she has made on the community she has called home for more than seven decades;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City Commission of the City of Buchanan, Michigan, on behalf of the entire Buchanan community, hereby recognizes and honors Geola Lewis on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, expresses its sincere gratitude for her lifetime of service and care for others, and wishes her continued happiness surrounded by the family, friends, and community whose lives she has enriched.

Presented with appreciation and best wishes on this 24th day of August, 2026