

Staff Report

Subject: Resolution Recognizing Ebenezer Cemetery
Author: Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk
Department: Administration
Meeting Date: 02/15/2022
Item Description: Consideration to approve Resolution#022-009 in recognition of Ebenezer Cemetery

Summary Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the request.

Executive Summary:

A request was received from Leroy Lloyd for approval of a Resolution recognizing the Old African-American cemetery at Ebenezer.

Background:

The site has been used as a burial ground for enslaved African-American's from the mid eighteenth century through the U.S. Civil War and afterwards for the newly freed community into the early twentieth century.

The abandoned site has been revitalized with donations from community businesses, other groups and individuals.

Over the past few years the NAACP and Effingham Master Gardeners Association have held a wreath-laying and remembrance service for those buried at the site.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve Resolution# 022-009 in recognition of the African-American Cemetery at Ebenezer.
2. To not approve the resolution.

Recommended Alternative: Staff recommends Alternative 1

Other Alternatives: N/A

Department Review: Administration

Funding Source: No funding is required related to this request.

Attachments:

1. Resolution