## Effingham County Board of Commissioners



## RESOLUTION

## CELEBRATING THE 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF SMALLS FUNERAL HOME, INC.

**WHEREAS**: For 75 years, Smalls Funeral Home has provided Guyton, Georgia and the coastal empire with end-of-life services, including preplanning, funerals, memorials, and cremation options. They are currently one of the oldest, continuously operating funeral homes in the State of Georgia, and;

**WHEREAS:** Samuel Smalls, Sr., a native of Savannah, Georgia, founded Smalls Funeral Home in 1947, and it remains Effingham County's oldest African American owned business; and,

**WHEREAS:** Michael Garvin, former Mayor of Guyton, Georgia, is the CEO/Owner of Smalls Funeral Home Inc. and;

**WHEREAS**: Under the management of Michael Garvin, the current building was constructed in 1995 after a fire destroyed the original building. The business was able to remain open due to the assistance of local churches and business, and;

**WHEREAS:** The economic impact of Smalls Funeral Home Inc. is evidenced by the long-standing relationships with fellow funeral homes within and surrounding Effingham County; and

**WHEREAS**: As Smalls Funeral Home Inc. celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> year in business, it is important to recognize Michael Garvin, his family, and the profound impact they have had after decades of serving Effingham County; now,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the EFFINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS do hereby recognize SMALLS FUNERAL HOME, INC. and commend Michael Garvin and family for their efforts to support Effingham County and the local community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution will be made part of the permanent records of the Effingham County Board of Commissioners and a copy of said resolution be presented to Smalls Funeral Home Inc.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County to be affixed this *18*<sup>th</sup> day of *October* in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-two.

WESLEY M. CORBITT, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

STEPHANIE D. JOHNSON, COUNTY CLERK

