

## Proclamation

On a motion from Councilor Ennis Fant, Sr. Members of Greenville County Council honor

The Urban League of the Upstate 50th Anniversary

**WHEREAS,** The National Urban League was founded in 1910 and has chartered affiliate organizations throughout the country to benefit communities as a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization for over 100 years; and

**WHEREAS**, The Greenville Urban League received its charter as an affiliate of the National Urban League from Executive Director, Vernon Jordan, on August 26, 1972, and;

**WHEREAS,** The founding mission of the Greenville Urban League has been to enable minorities and disadvantaged people to be self-sufficient, secure and healthy by providing programs in education, job training, employment, housing and health care; to develop collaborations and strategic partnerships to achieve their goals; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1992, the Greenville Urban League was recognized as one of South Carolina's most powerful organizations and has remained true to its mission; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1996, the Greenville Urban League officially changed its name to The Urban League of the Upstate; the organization provides researched-based programs and services focused on Education, Employment and Housing for residents throughout the region.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** Greenville County Council congratulates the Urban League of the Upstate for its legacy of empowerment and celebrates the vision of a Greenville County where all people can adequately support themselves and their families, live in neighborhoods that are vibrant and thriving, and are valued members of the community.

Signed this 19th day of April 2022

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Willis Meadows, Chairman Greenville County Council