

Proclamation



WHEREAS: Johnny Jones lived and was educated in the Broward County School System, he excelled scholastically and graduated with honors. He was very active in various school activities including football and band, but had a deep passion for basketball; and

WHEREAS: One of Johnny Jones accomplishments was to hold the state record for most points scored in a game. He attracted national notice when he scored 85 points in the game for Blanche Ely High School with the final score being 193 – 58. Johnny Jones was featured in Sports Illustrated and was recruited by Villanova University where he went to become an All Time Scorer and Rebounder. Since his death, Blanche Ely High School and Villanova University inducted Johnny Jones to the Hall Of Fame and retired his jerseys; and

WHEREAS: Johnny Jones was also a Broward County School Board educator, working as a teacher and counselor with at risk students. He was a role model to them, always encouraging them to be the best they could be to become good citizens. He worked for Fort Lauderdale Fire Department, Broward County Parks and Recreation, Athletic Coach and Referee, and various other positions; and

WHEREAS: Johnny Jones was a man of faith and believed in the Will of God, he accepted greater responsibility within the ministry. He served as a Licensed Associate Minister at New Way Covenant Missionary Baptist Church, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church and St James Missionary Baptist Church as well as a Sunday School Teacher. He was the founder of Trinity Tabernacle of the True Vine and Executive Director of its Outreach Ministries. Pastor Johnny Jones final calling was United Glorious Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS: Johnny Jones was also civic-minded, and was dedicated to the best interests of the Collier City neighborhood, therefore availing himself as a candidate for the District 5 Race in 2010. He devoted his time going from door to door visiting potential voters trying to unify the city. Not winning did not stop him from being a voice and remaining active in the community; and

WHEREAS: Johnny Jones legacy lives on as a man that was known as a "Gentle Giant," a man that was a beacon of light for his community, family and congregation. Johnny Jones truly exemplifies the noble endeavor to leave a place better than when found and in doing so, inspires all of us to do the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor, on behalf of the City Commission of Pompano Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim the 27th of June 2017, as;

"DR JOHNNY JONES, SR DAY"

In the City of Pompano Beach, FL.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Lamar Fisher".

LAMAR FISHER
MAYOR