

A RESOLUTION

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AS SUBSTITUTED AND AMENDED BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

A RESOLUTION TO NAME THE INTERFAITH CHAPEL IN THE ATRIUM AT HARTSFIELD-JACKSON ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT THE “BISHOP DR. BARBARA LEWIS KING INTERFAITH CHAPEL”; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta (“City”) owns and operates Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (“Airport”);

WHEREAS, the Airport provides three Interfaith Chapel locations for the benefit and use of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Interfaith Chapel located in the Airport Atrium is open to all members of the public prior to the security checkpoints; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Dr. Barbara Lewis King (“Dr. Barbara”) is a bishop of the International New Thought Christian Movement of Churches headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, born in Houston, Texas, Dr. Barbara earned a Bachelors’ Degree in Sociology from Texas Southern University, a master’s in social work from Atlanta University, and a Doctor of Ministry from the Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara is a professionally trained social work administrator, has served as Dean of Community Relations at Malcolm X College in Chicago, Illinois, was a college instructor as well as Dean of Students at Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara was the first non-psychiatrist director of the Emory Mental Health Center headquartered in the Southside Comprehensive Health Center in Atlanta, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara has received numerous honors, awards, and recognition throughout her professional life; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2011, as “a permanent tribute ... to the foot soldiers who waged the fight for equality and human dignity,” Dr. Barbara’s shoes were added to the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame for her work in Dr. Martin Luther King’s Chicago movement; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara’s shoes will be moved from the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, both located in Atlanta, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara’s portrait hangs in the International Hall of Honor at Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel at Morehouse College.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara has traveled and spoken around the world and is most proud of her work in Ghana where she was the first female chief at Assin Nsuta of the Ashante tribe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recommends honoring Dr. Barbara’s community and civil rights work by renaming the Interfaith Chapel in the Airport Atrium the “Bishop Dr. Barbara Lewis King Interfaith Chapel.”

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES, that the Interfaith Chapel in the Atrium of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport shall be named in honor of Bishop Dr. Barbara Lewis King as the “Bishop Dr. Barbara Lewis King Interfaith Chapel”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the honorary name of the Interfaith Chapel in the Atrium of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport shall take effect upon adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Aviation is hereby directed to update any appropriate signage, website, memoranda, etc., upon adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that any resolutions in conflict herewith, are hereby waived to the extent of the conflict only.