



City of South Fulton

WHEREAS, Anthony Bernard Williams (April 16, 1973 – October 16, 2020) was born in Columbus Georgia and grew up in Phenix City, Alabama where he confessed Christ at an early age and joined Nichols Chapel A.M.E Church;

WHEREAS, Anthony Williams gained the nickname “Ant” while growing up in Phenix City, Alabama and his athletic abilities were recognized and afforded him the opportunity to play baseball and football at Central High School;

WHEREAS, after graduating from high school in 1991, Tony went on to attend Tuskegee University (Skegee) where he played intramural sports;

WHEREAS, during his matriculation at Skegee, Anthony earned a new nickname “Pretty Tony” and off the field he was a socialite known for being the life of the party with a personality larger than life, an infectious laugh and a loving heart of gold;

WHEREAS, Anthony Williams was also a scholar and graduated Tuskegee University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in May of 1996, he worked for a number of companies early on in his career but spend the past 15 years with Georgia Power as a Distribution Engineer;

WHEREAS, Tony when not working, enjoyed many passions including BBQing Ribs, cooking breakfast food, coaching, playing pool, bowling, playing cards, working out with his children, watching any sport on TV, hanging at Tuskegee Homecomings, and making sure everyone had a good time at the party;

WHEREAS, family meant everything to Tony and his wife Danielle Dixon (Williams) and his children, two beautiful daughters Hannah Catherine (Pooh Bear), Julia Madison (Sweet Pea) and his namesake, Anthony (AJ) Bernard Jr. meant the world to him;

WHEREAS, the legendary Coach Tony truly loved his community and earned his acclaim for the countless hours he dedicated to coaching girls and boys basketball, tee ball, baseball, flag football and football and his players became a part of his extended family and he sponsored and mentored kids both on and off the field while also serving as the Football Commissioner of Sandtown Park;

WHEREAS, Coach Tony’s will be dearly missed but never forgotten by the kids, parents, and the Sandtown community-at-large.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of South Fulton remember and celebrate the life of Coach Anthony “Tony” Williams and recognize his many years of dedicated volunteer service to the youth of Sandtown Park and do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 24, 2020 as “**Anthony Williams Appreciation Day**” in the City of South Fulton, Georgia.

Councilwoman Catherine Foster Rowell, Ph.D., District 1