

RESOLUTION «

- WHEREAS: Sheila Kay Jenks was born on September 28, 1961 as the youngest of five children to Clifford and Ernestine (Heidt) Jenks. She graduated from Robert W. Groves High School and attended Morris Brown College in Atlanta, GA. Shelia received her Bachelor of Ministry from Covington Theological Seminary. Miss Jenks received her Business Associates Degree and a BS in Business & Human Resources Management from the University of Phoenix. She was inducted into the National Society of Leadership and Success by the University of Phoenix; and
- WHEREAS: Sheila Jenks accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age at the First Mount Bethel Baptist Church. She met, fell in love and married Mr. Matthew Marvin Odum and together were blessed with three children. Matthew and Sheila were married for 38 years and learned early that marital success, like anything else in life, is only achieved by trusting God; and
- WHEREAS: Lady Sheila served as the First Lady of the Temple of Glory for the past 36 years, where she served in many capacities. She sang in the mass choir, and she taught Sunday School and arts and crafts, and cooking to the young people of the Church. She also ran a Clothing Ministry, a Volunteer Ministry and served as the church administrator; and
- WHEREAS: Lady Sheila was loved by the Temple of Glory family. She was a scholar, an entrepreneur, an extremely articulate writer, and a student of the word of God. She touched many lives during her brief time on earth and she will be truly missed by all; and
- WHEREAS: Lady Sheila Jenks Odum was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford & Ernestine Jenks. She leaves behind her loving husband, Bishop Matthew M. Odum, Sr., their three children, Taffanie (Terrell), Brittanie, and Matthew II (April); one grandson, Christian Shemar; four siblings, Clifford Jenks, Michael Jenks, Dr. Patricia Jenks and Kenneth; and a host of other family members, inlaws, and friends.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah celebrate the life and memory of Lady Sheila Kay Jenks Odum and offer our appreciation for her life and contributions to the Savannah community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be made a part of the permanent records of the Savannah City Council.